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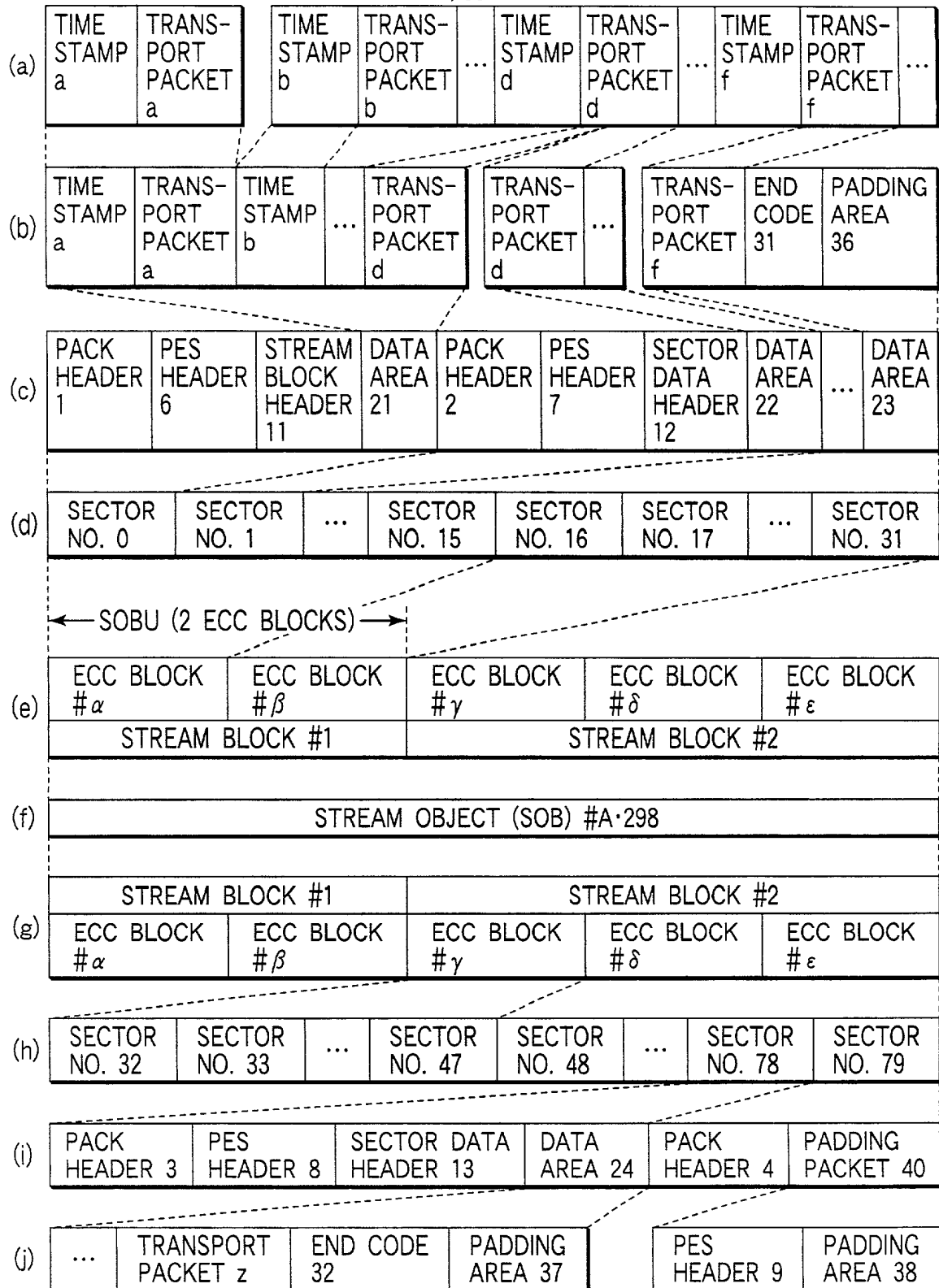


FIG. 1

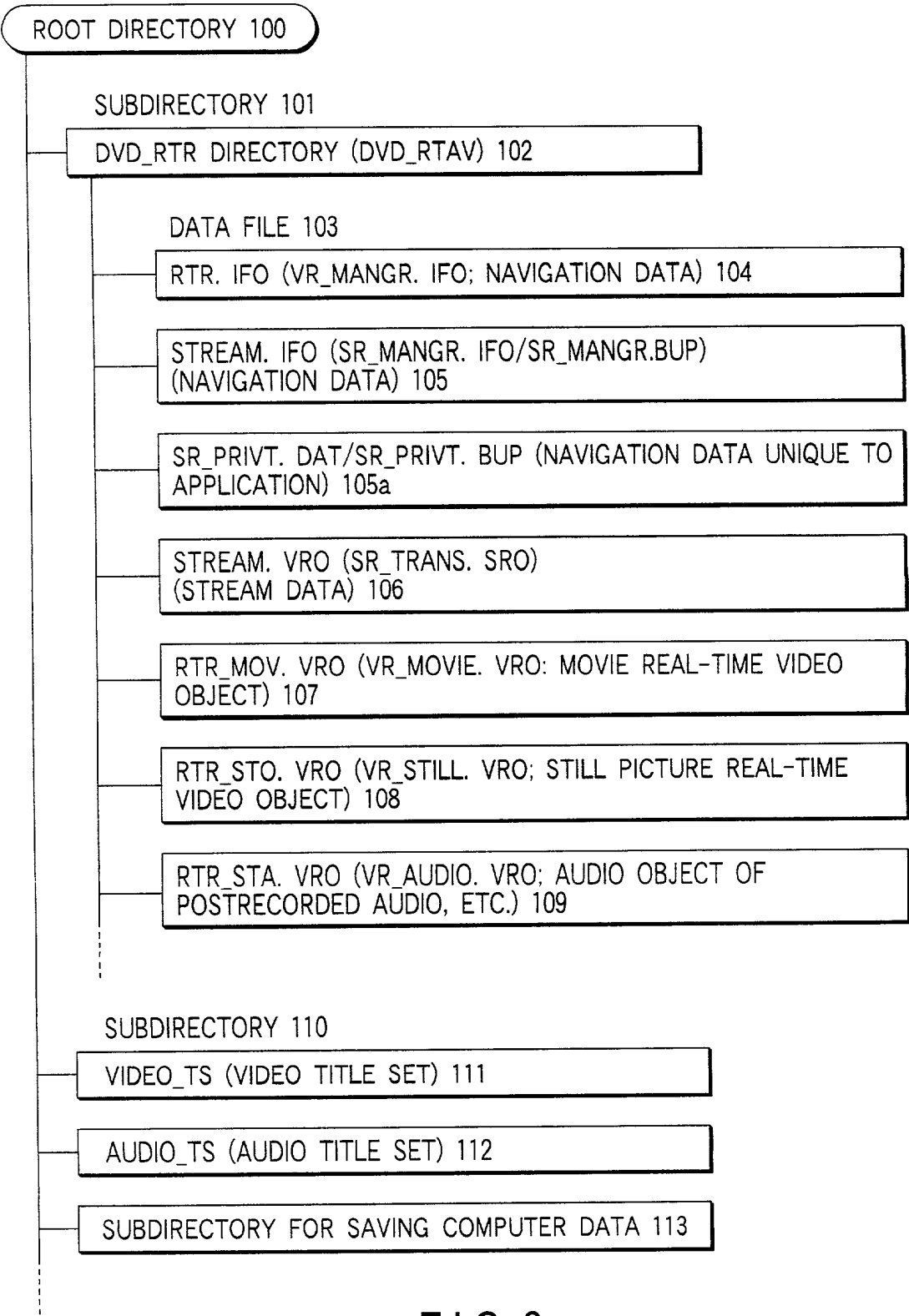


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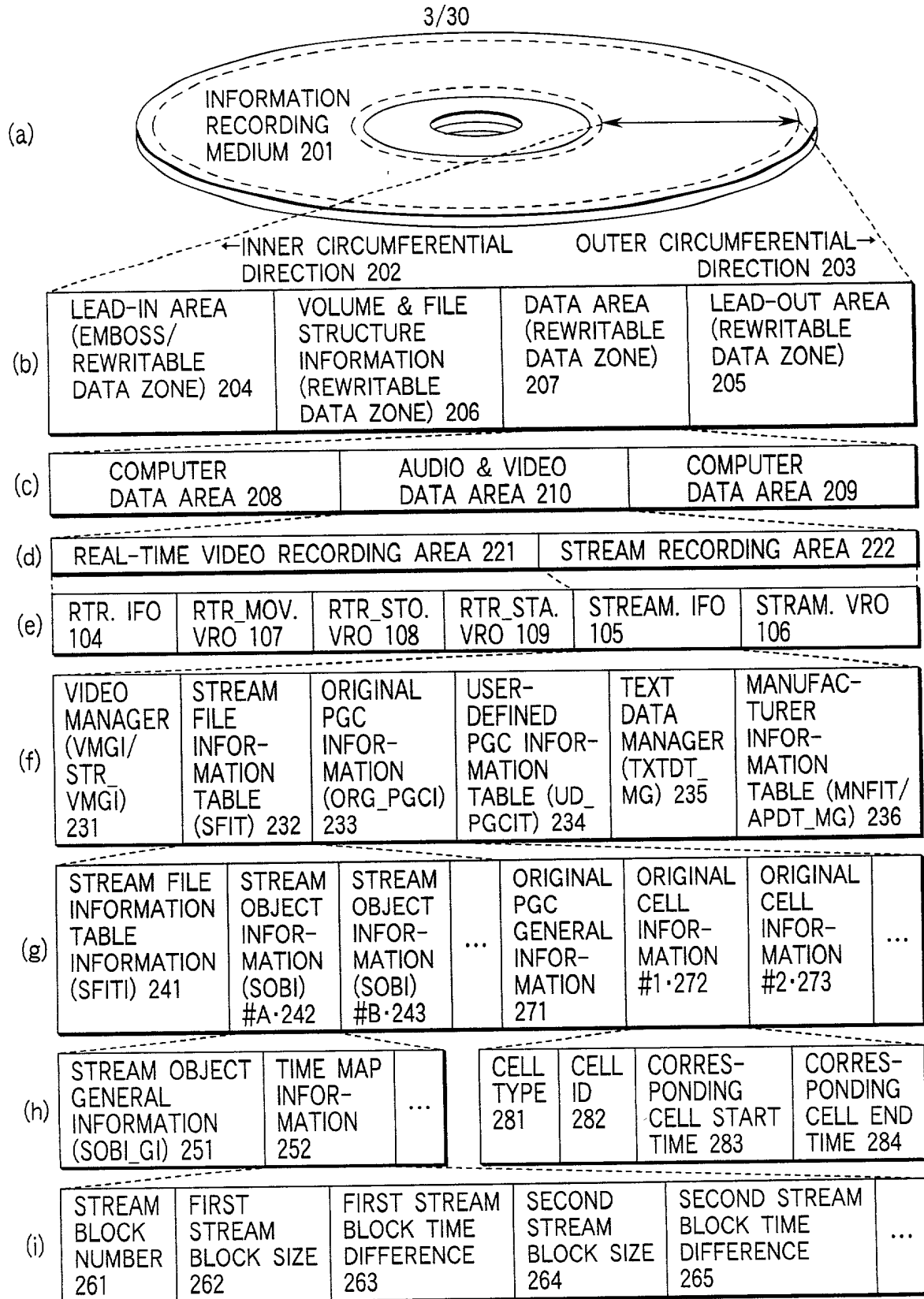


FIG. 3

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2 ECC BLOCKS (32 SECTORS) =  
1 STREAM OBJECT UNIT (SOBU)

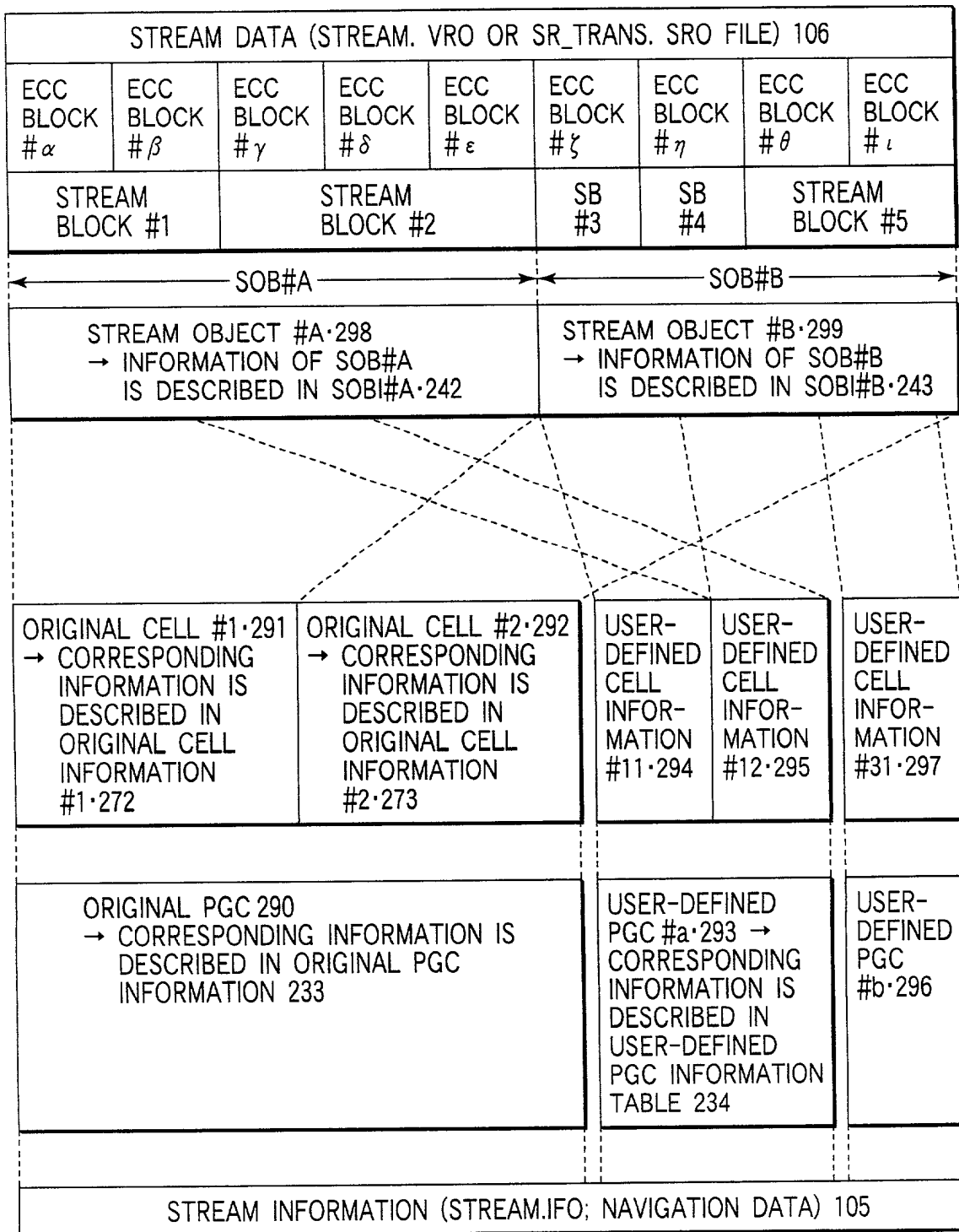


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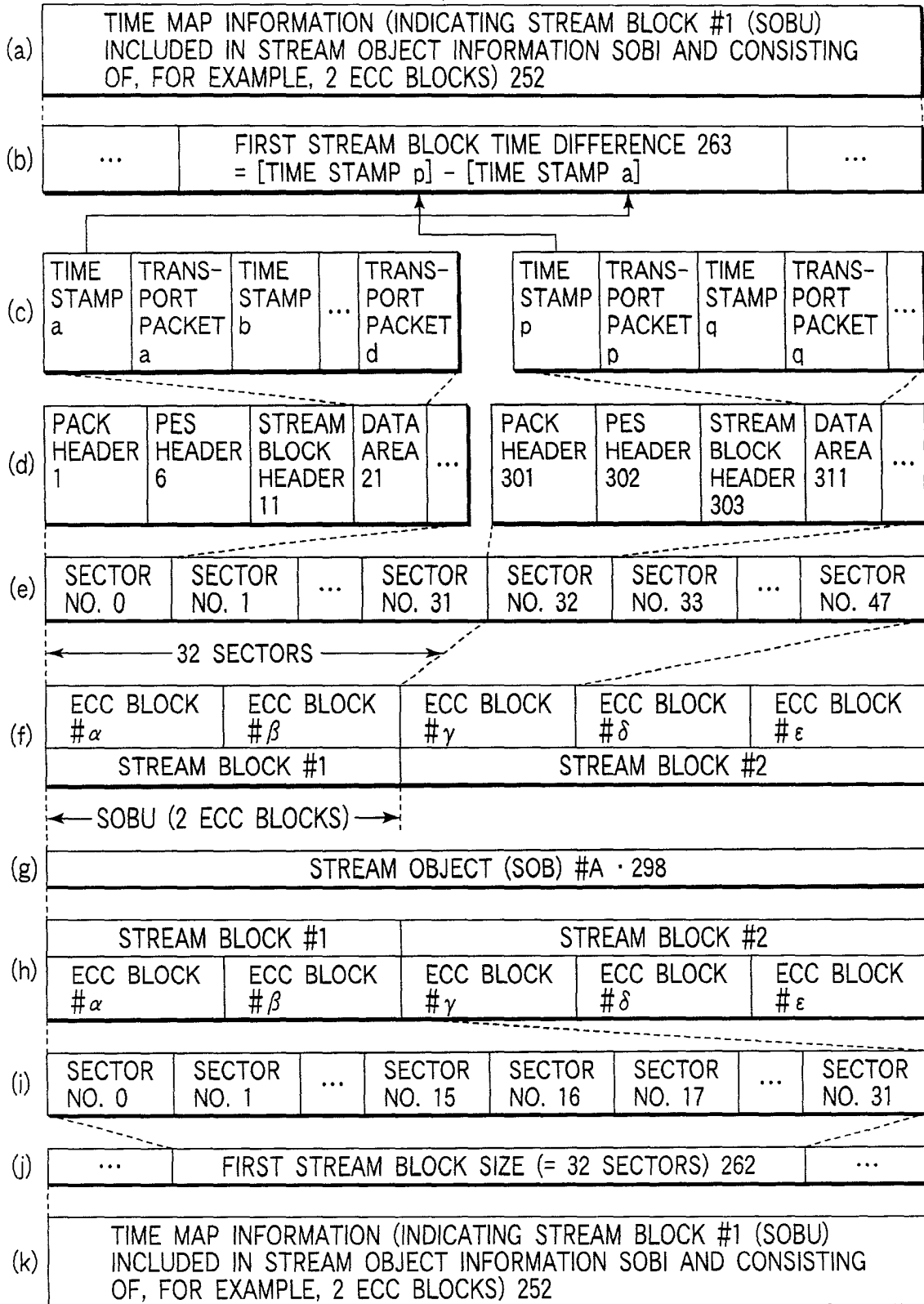


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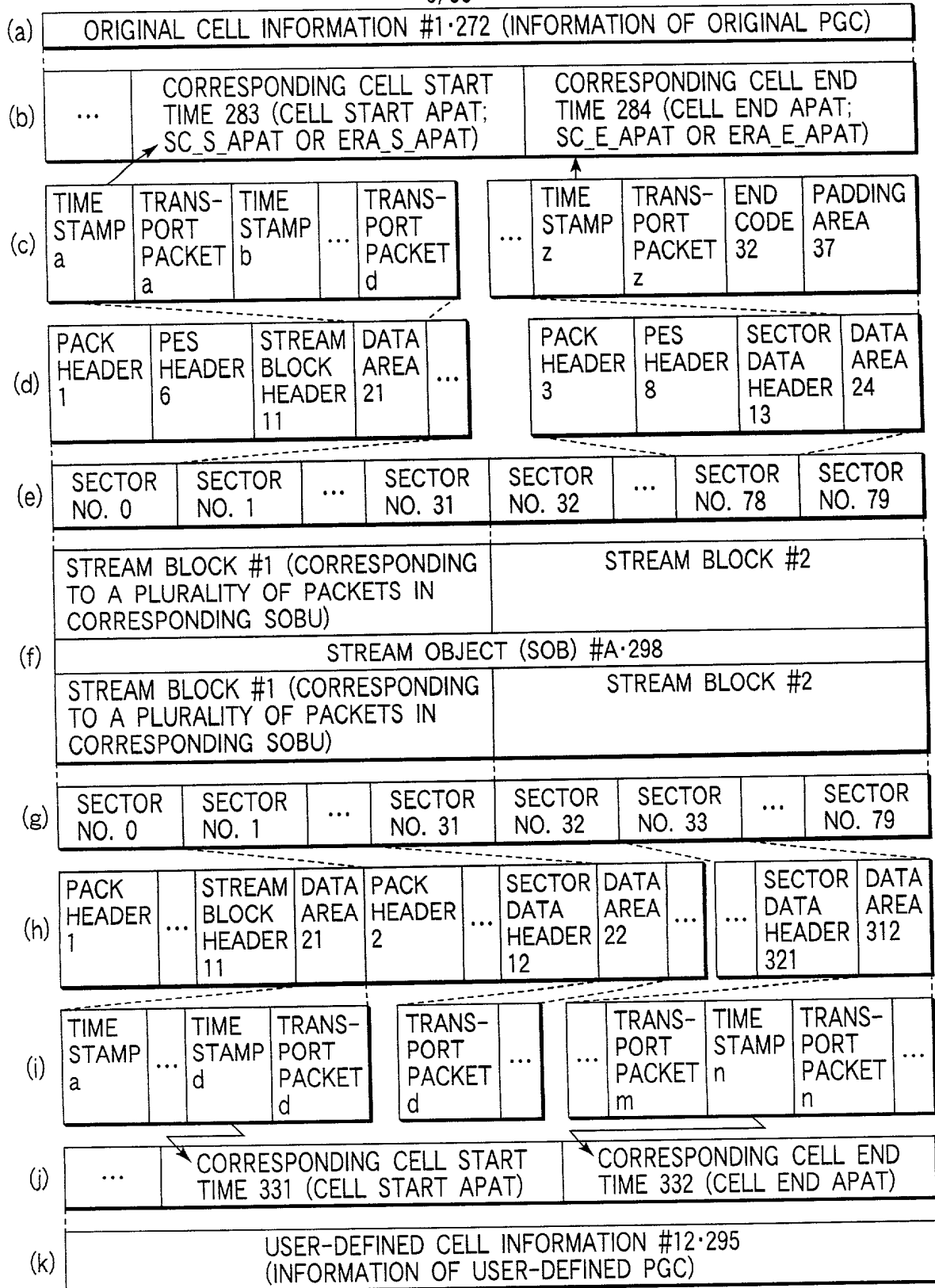


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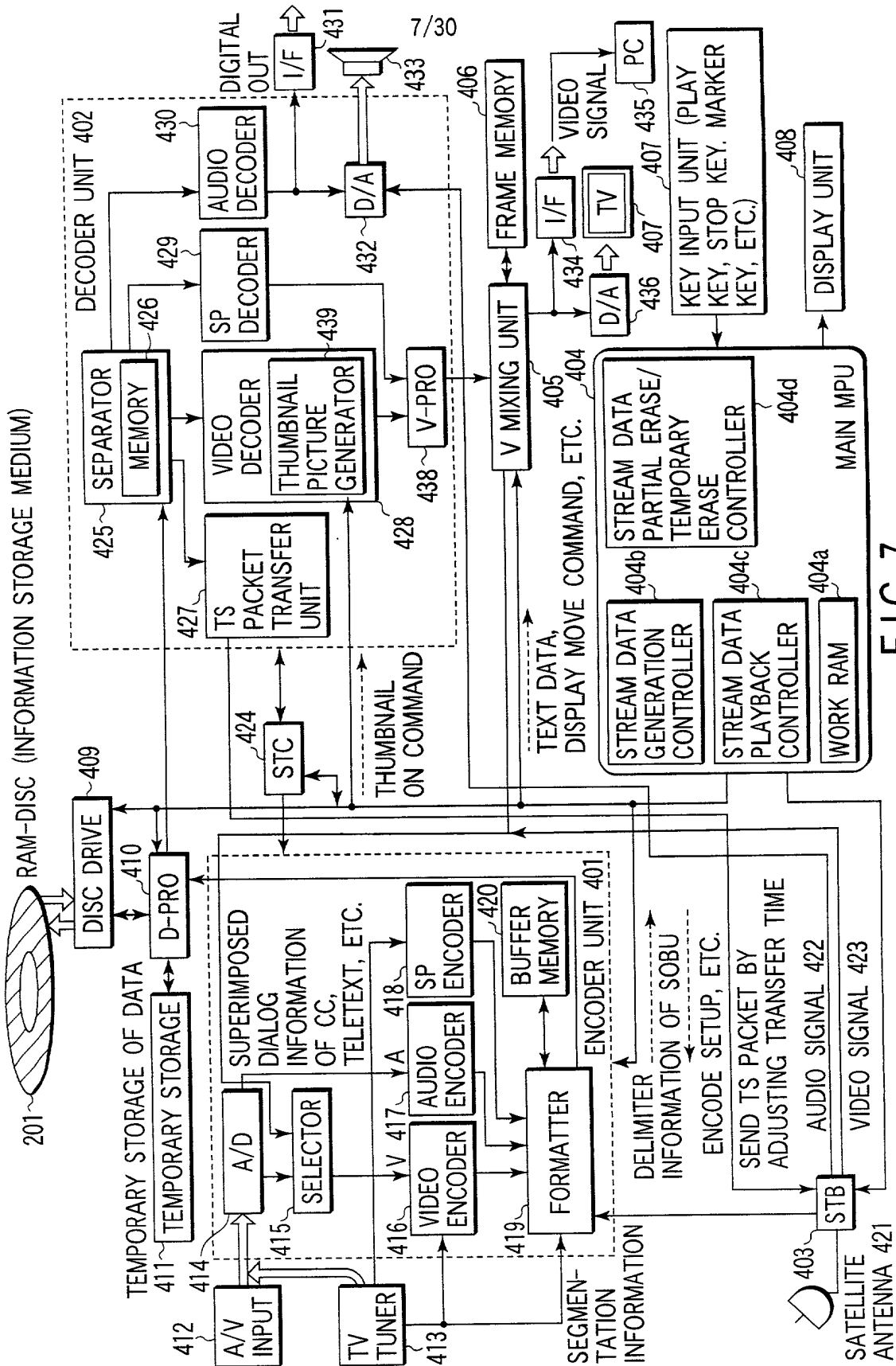


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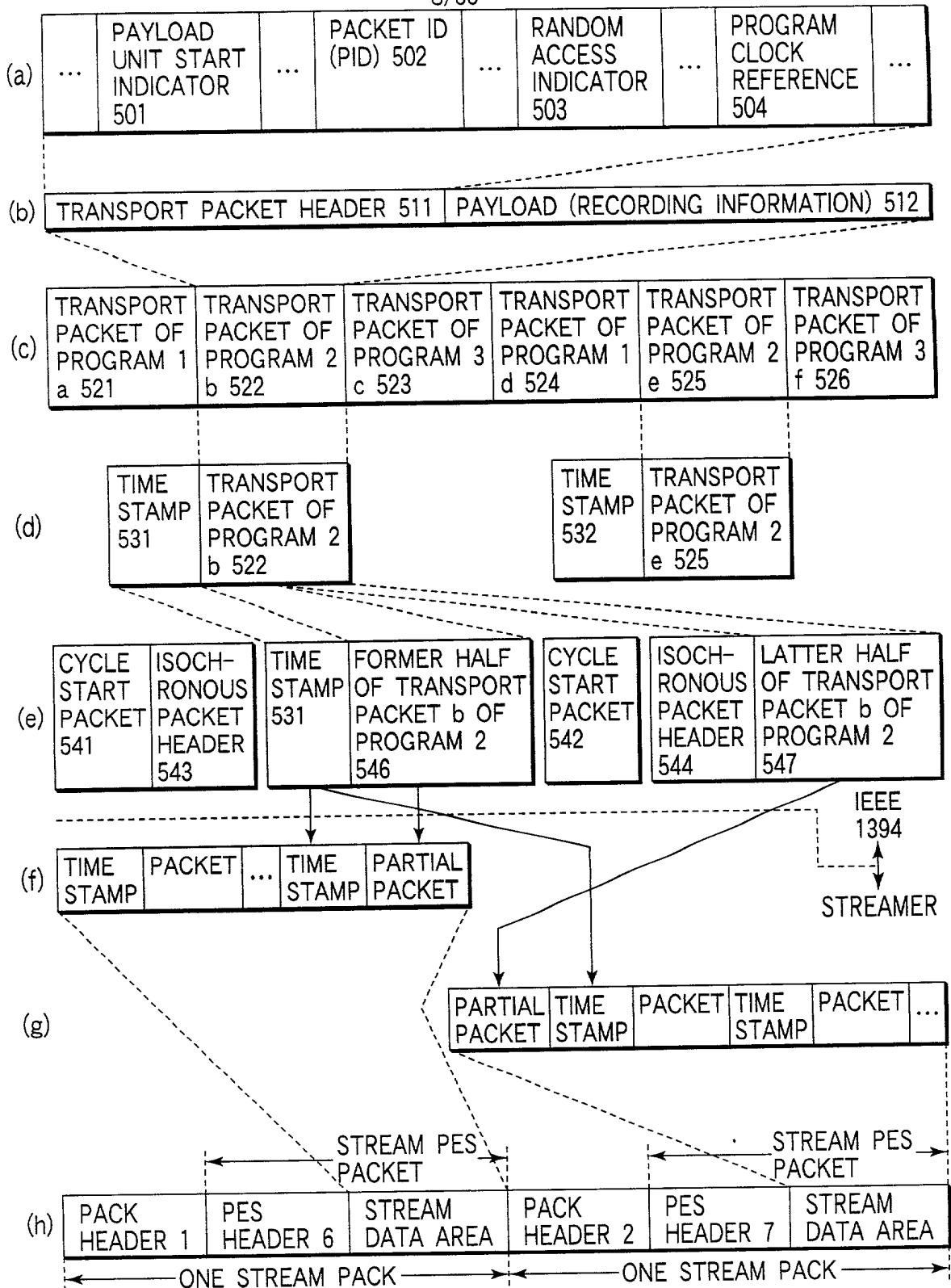


FIG. 8



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VIDEO PLAYBACK TIME →

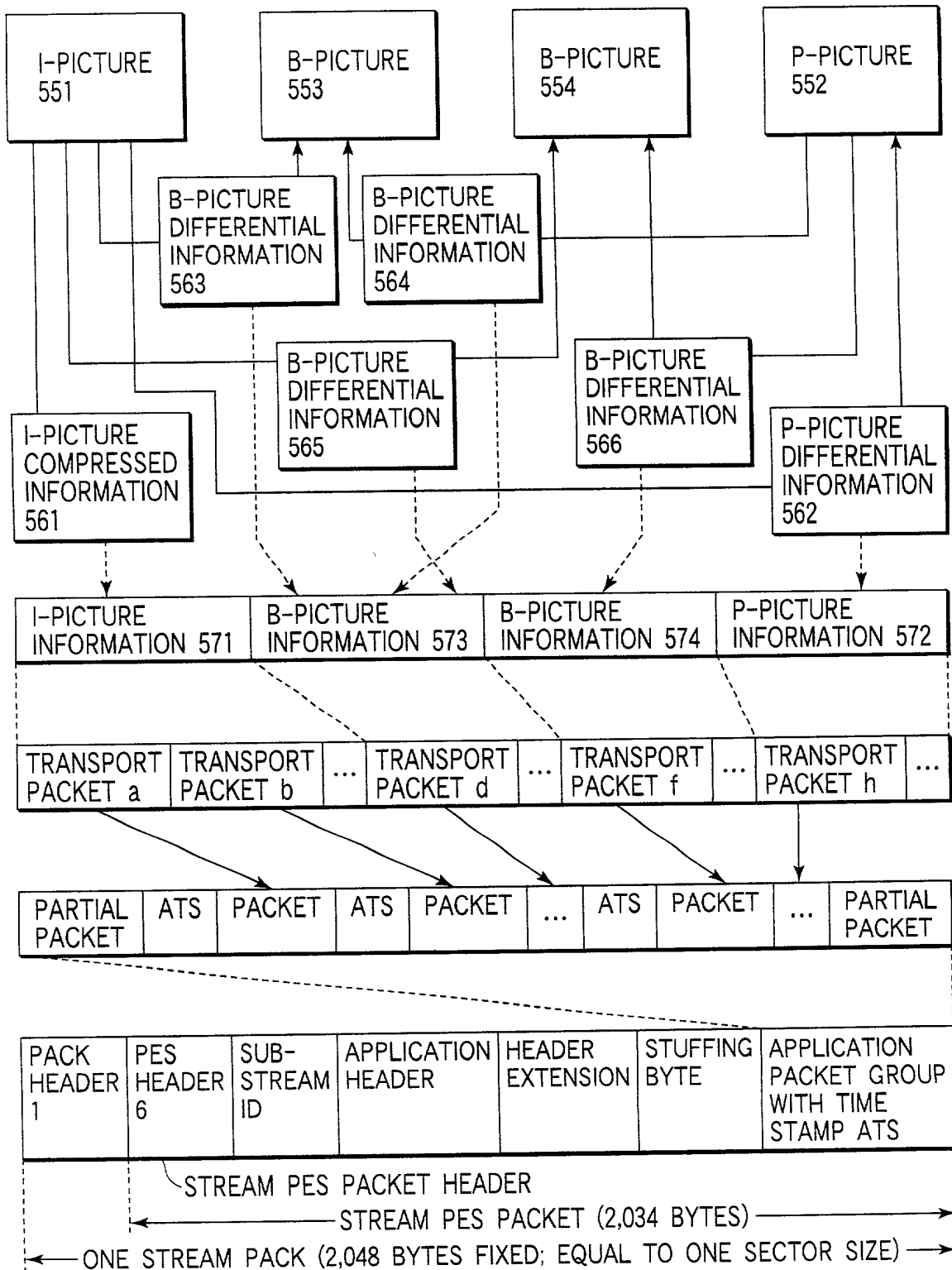


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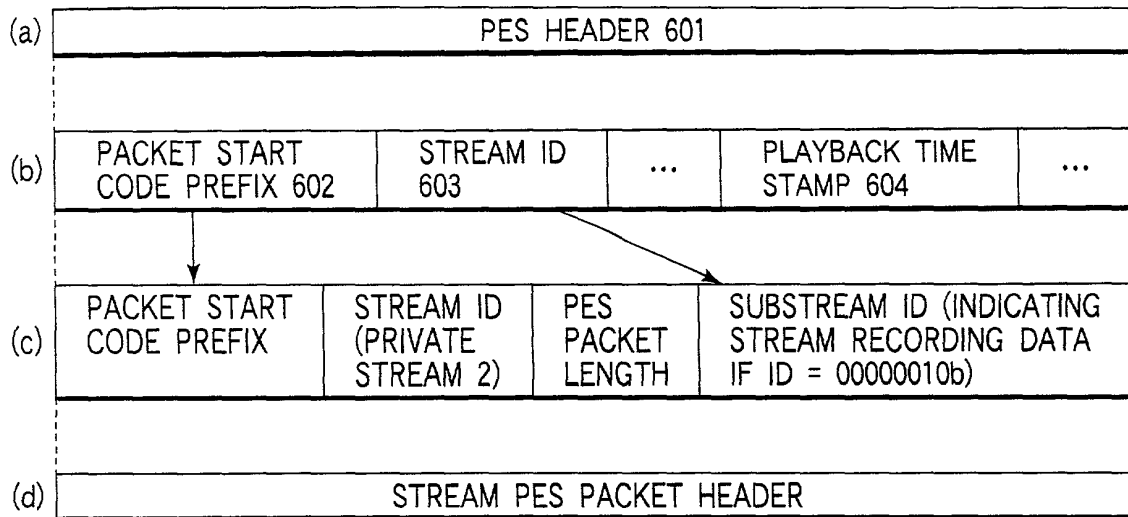


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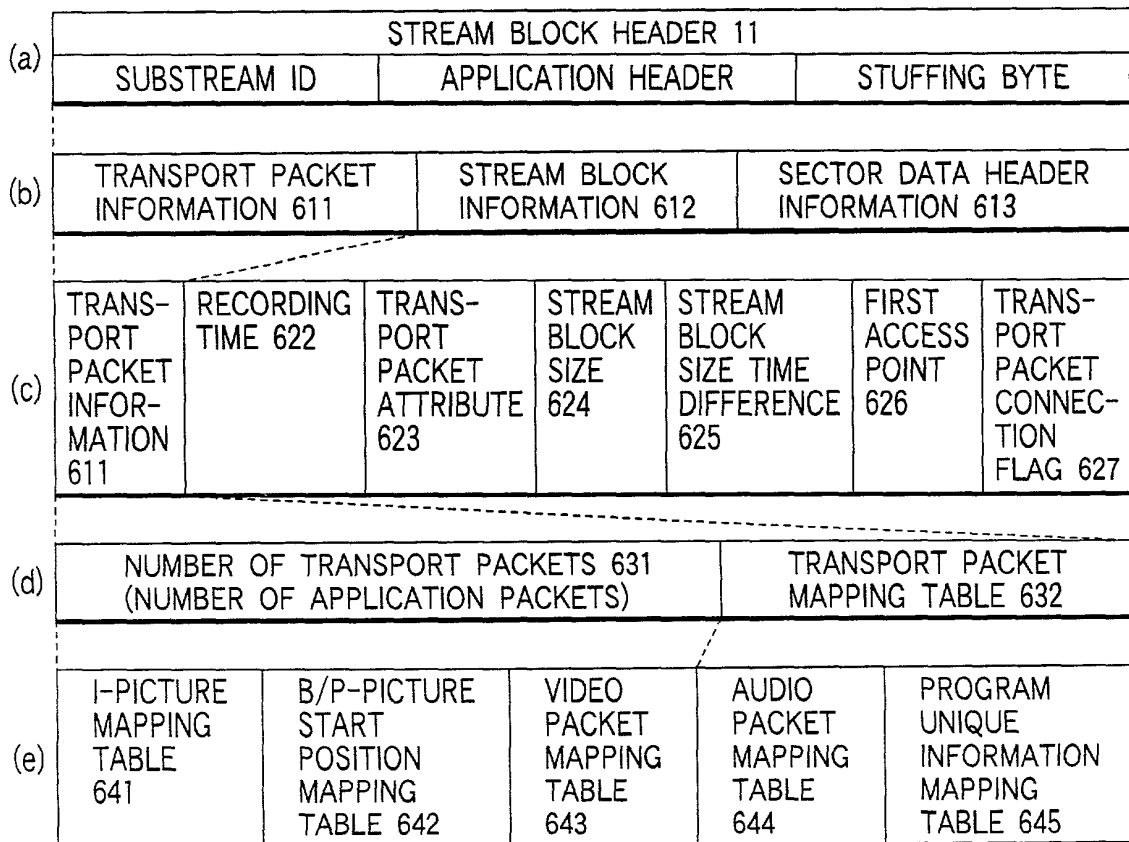


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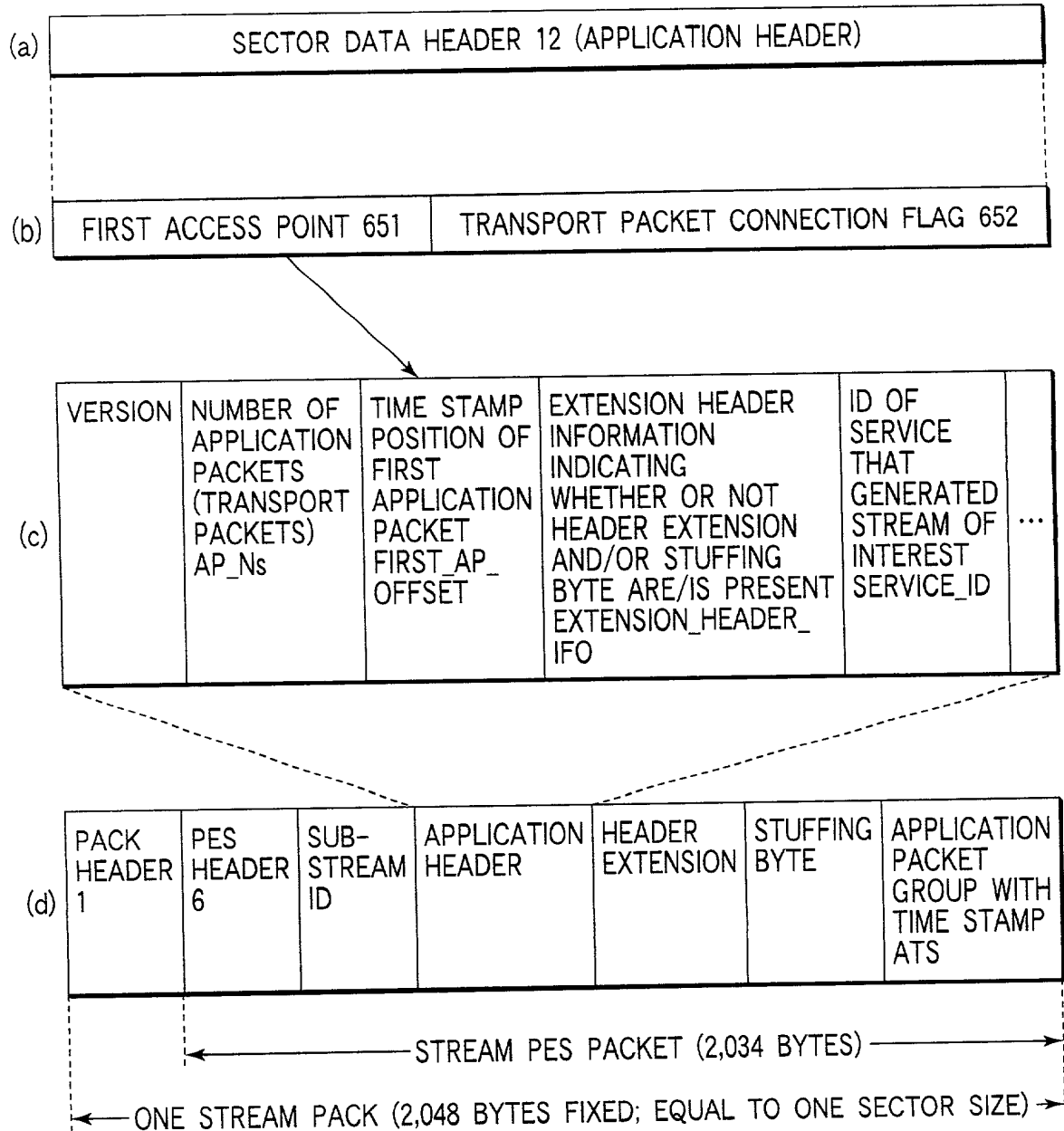


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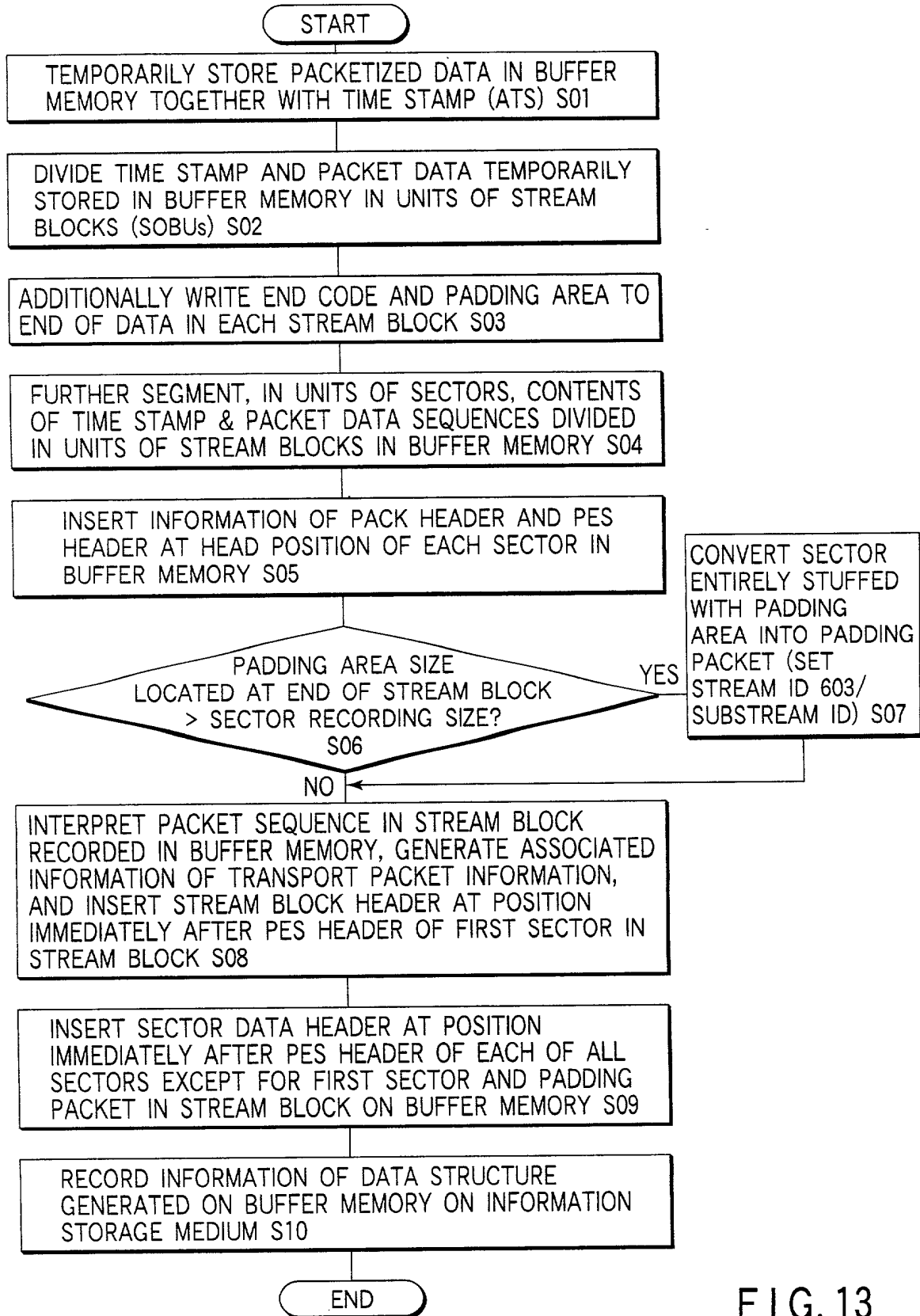


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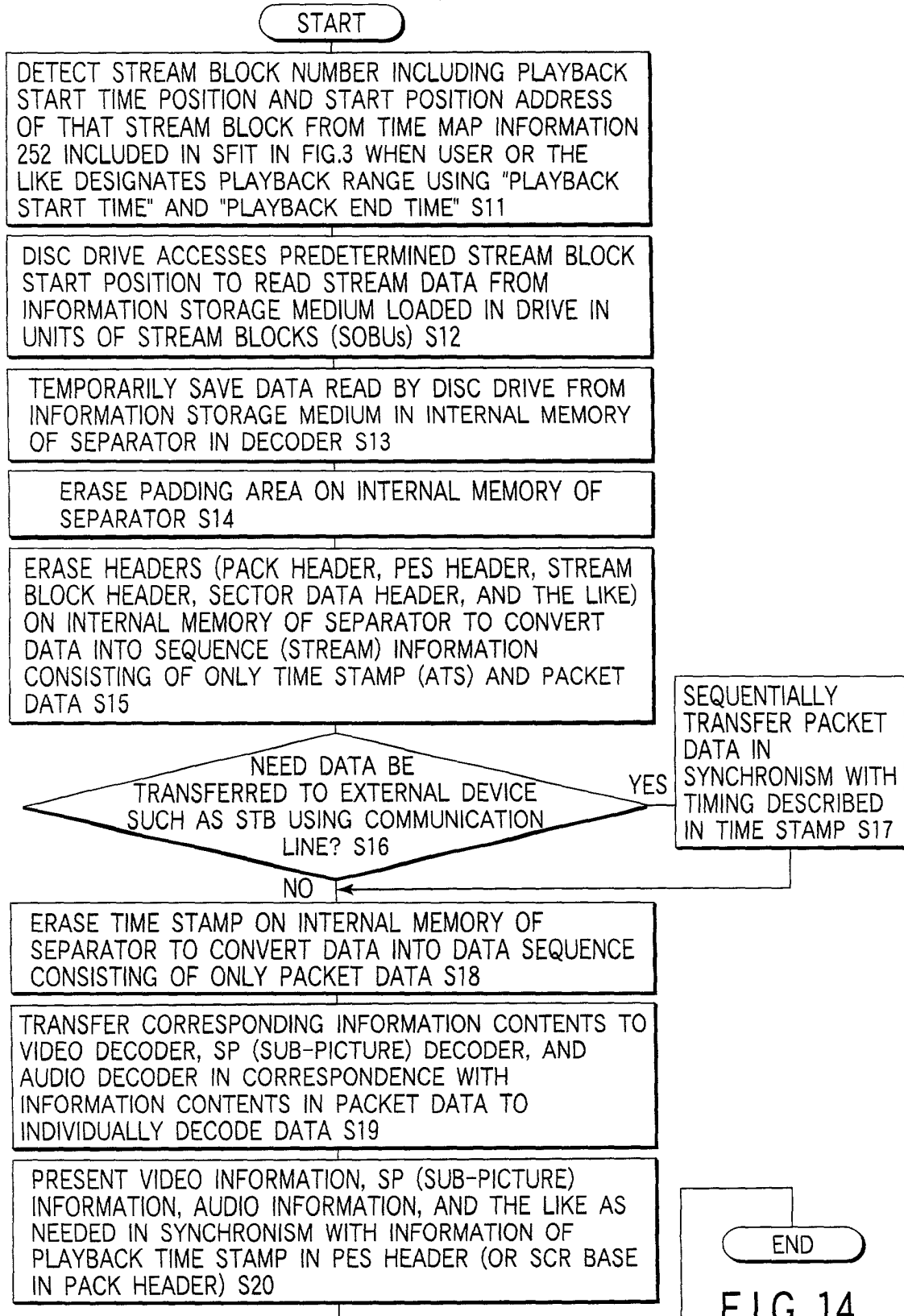


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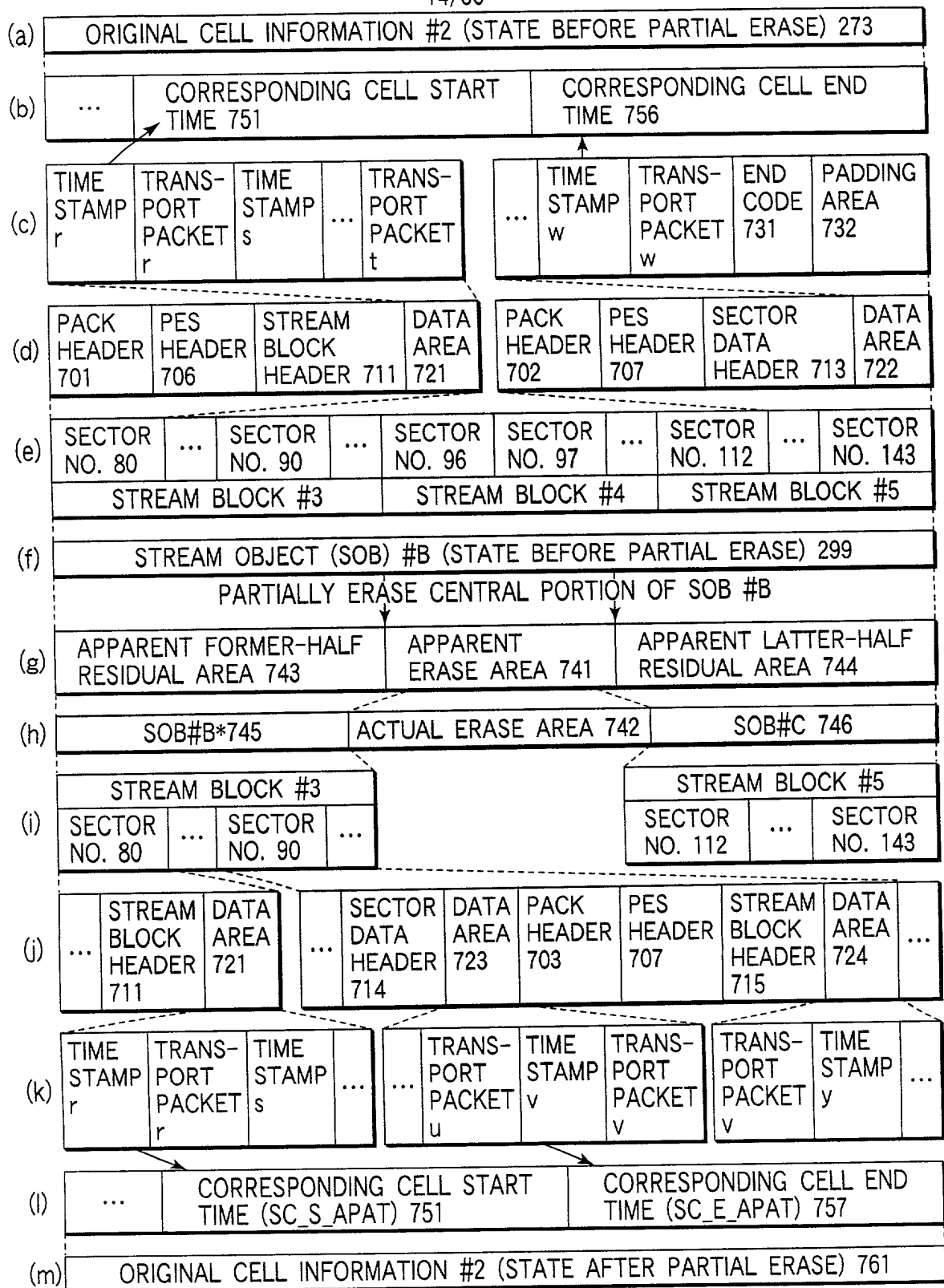


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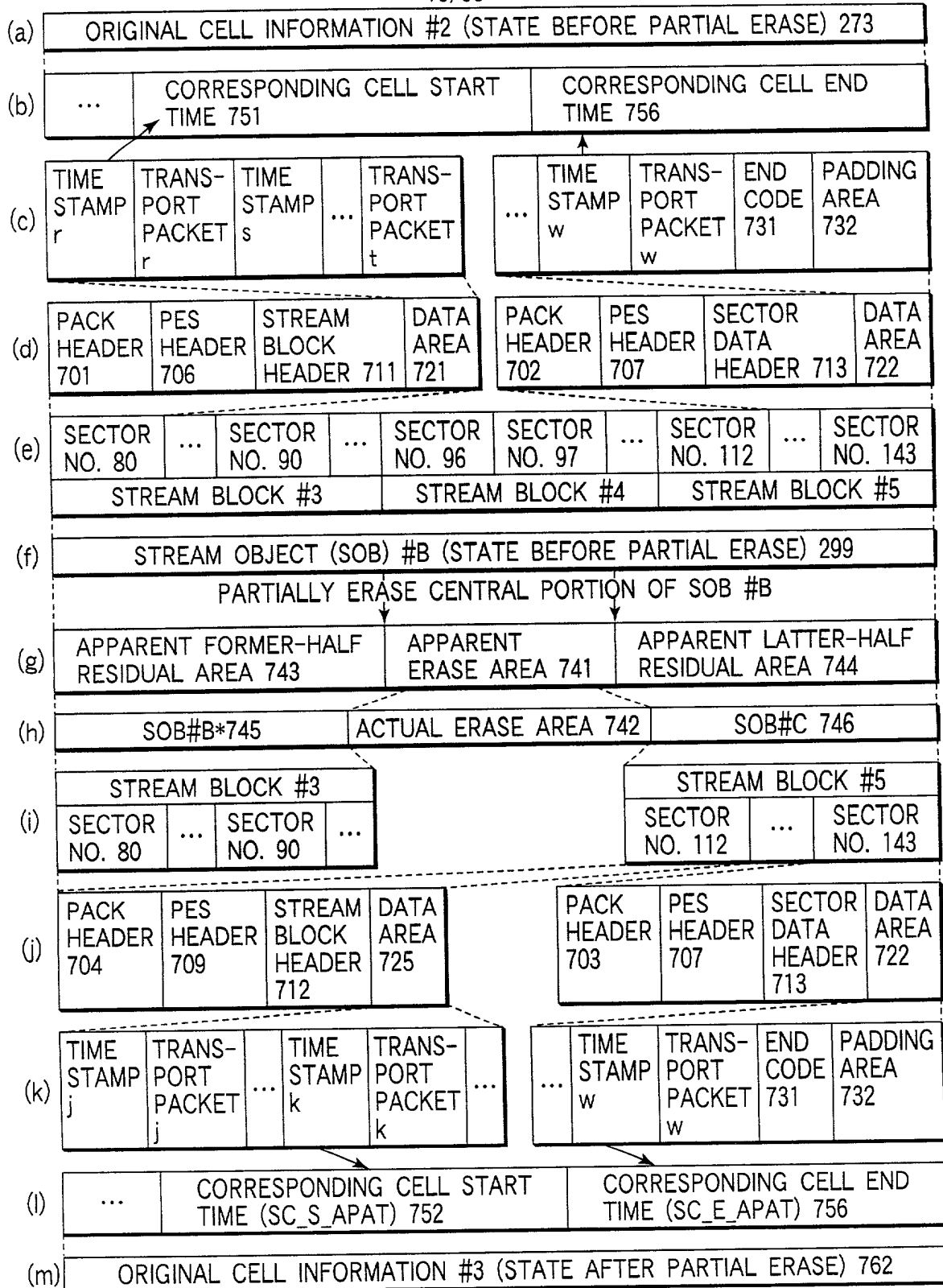


FIG. 16

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START

USER OR THE LIKE DESIGNATES PARTIAL ERASE RANGE USING TIME INFORMATION OR THE LIKE S21

SEARCH FOR STREAM BLOCK (OR SOB OR ONE OR MORE SOBUs) COMPLETELY INCLUDED IN ERASE RANGE ON THE BASIS OF TIME MAP INFORMATION, AND ERASE FOUND STREAM BLOCK (TRANSPORT PACKET OR APPLICATION PACKET) S22

SEGMENT STREAM OBJECT (SOB) INTO FORMER- AND LATTER-HALF RESIDUAL AREAS CORRESPONDING TO PARTIAL ERASE RANGE, GENERATE SOB INFORMATION (SOBI) OF NEW SOB'S GENERATED BY THIS SEGMENTATION, AND TEMPORARILY STORE GENERATED SOBI IN WORK MEMORY IN MPU. IN THIS CASE, ALSO GENERATE TIME MAP INFORMATION FOR NEW SOB BY POSTING CORRESPONDING PORTION IN TIME MAP INFORMATION RECORDED IN SOB BEFORE SEGMENTATION S23

GENERATE ORIGINAL CELL INFORMATION FOR NEWLY DEFINED SOB (ADJUST CELL START TIME TO PARTIAL ERASE END TIME DESIGNATED BY USER OR THE LIKE, OR ADJUST CELL END TIME TO PARTIAL ERASE START TIME DESIGNATED BY USER OR THE LIKE) S24

REWRITE TIME MAP INFORMATION IN ORIGINAL SOB INFORMATION (REWRITTEN TO INFORMATION OBTAINED BY REMOVING "FIELD OF ACTUAL ERASE AREA" AND "FIELD OF NEWLY DEFINED SOB AREA" FROM ORIGINAL TIME MAP INFORMATION) S25

CHANGE TIME RANGE OF ORIGINAL CELL CORRESPONDING TO SOB, TIME MAP INFORMATION OF WHICH HAS BEEN REWRITTEN (ADJUST CELL START TIME TO PARTIAL ERASE END TIME DESIGNATED BY USER OR THE LIKE, OR ADJUST CELL END TIME TO PARTIAL ERASE START TIME DESIGNATED BY USER OR THE LIKE) S26

REWRITE STREAM.IFO RECORDED IN INFORMATION STORAGE MEDIUM IN CORRESPONDENCE WITH STREAM INFORMATION (STREAM.IFO) CHANGED IN WORK MEMORY OF MPU S27

REWRITE VOLUME & FILE STRUCTURE INFORMATION RECORDED ON INFORMATION STORAGE MEDIUM S28

END

FIG. 17



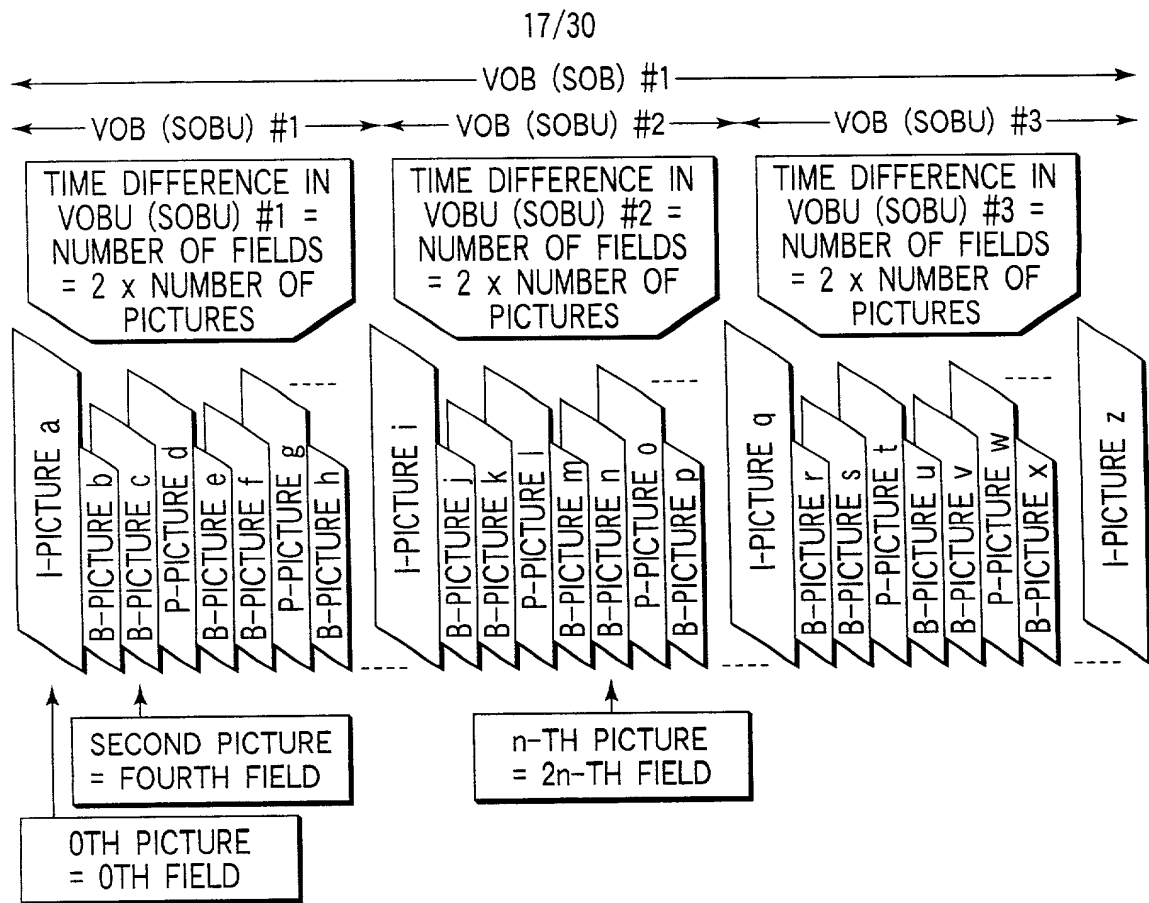


FIG. 18

INFORMATION OF ORIGINAL CELL #1 (SCI) (BEFORE PARTIAL OR TEMPORARY ERASE) 763	.....	.....
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	CORRESPONDING CELL START TIME (SC_S_APAT OR ERA_S_APAT) 753	= 0TH FIELD (TIME INFORMATION)
	CORRESPONDING CELL END TIME (SC_E_APAT OR ERA_E_APAT) 758	= 2(z-1)-TH FIELD (TIME INFORMATION)

FIG. 19

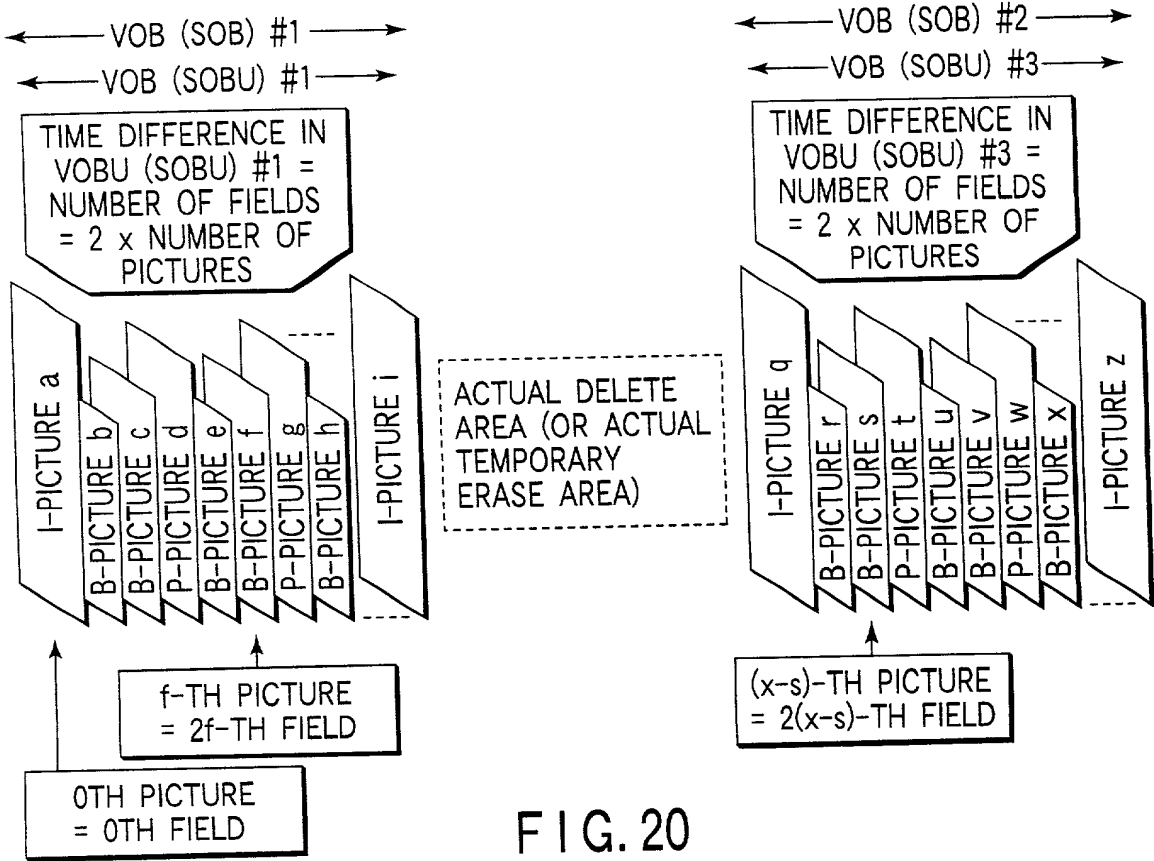


FIG. 20

INFORMATION OF ORIGINAL CELL #1 (SCI) (BEFORE PARTIAL OR TEMPORARY ERASE) 764	.....	.....
	CORRESPONDING VOB (SOB) 767	VOB (SOB) #1
	CORRESPONDING CELL START TIME (SC_S_APAT OR ERA_S_APAT) 753	= 0TH FIELD (TIME INFORMATION)
	CORRESPONDING CELL END TIME (SC_E_APAT OR ERA_E_APAT) 759	= 2f-TH FIELD (TIME INFORMATION)
INFORMATION OF ORIGINAL CELL #2 (SCI) (BEFORE PARTIAL OR TEMPORARY ERASE) 765	.....	.....
	CORRESPONDING VOB (SOB) 768	VOB (SOB) #2
	CORRESPONDING CELL START TIME (SC_S_APAT OR ERA_S_APAT) 754	= 2(s-q)-TH FIELD (TIME INFORMATION)
	CORRESPONDING CELL END TIME (SC_E_APAT OR ERA_E_APAT) 758	= 2(z-q)-TH FIELD (TIME INFORMATION)

FIG. 21

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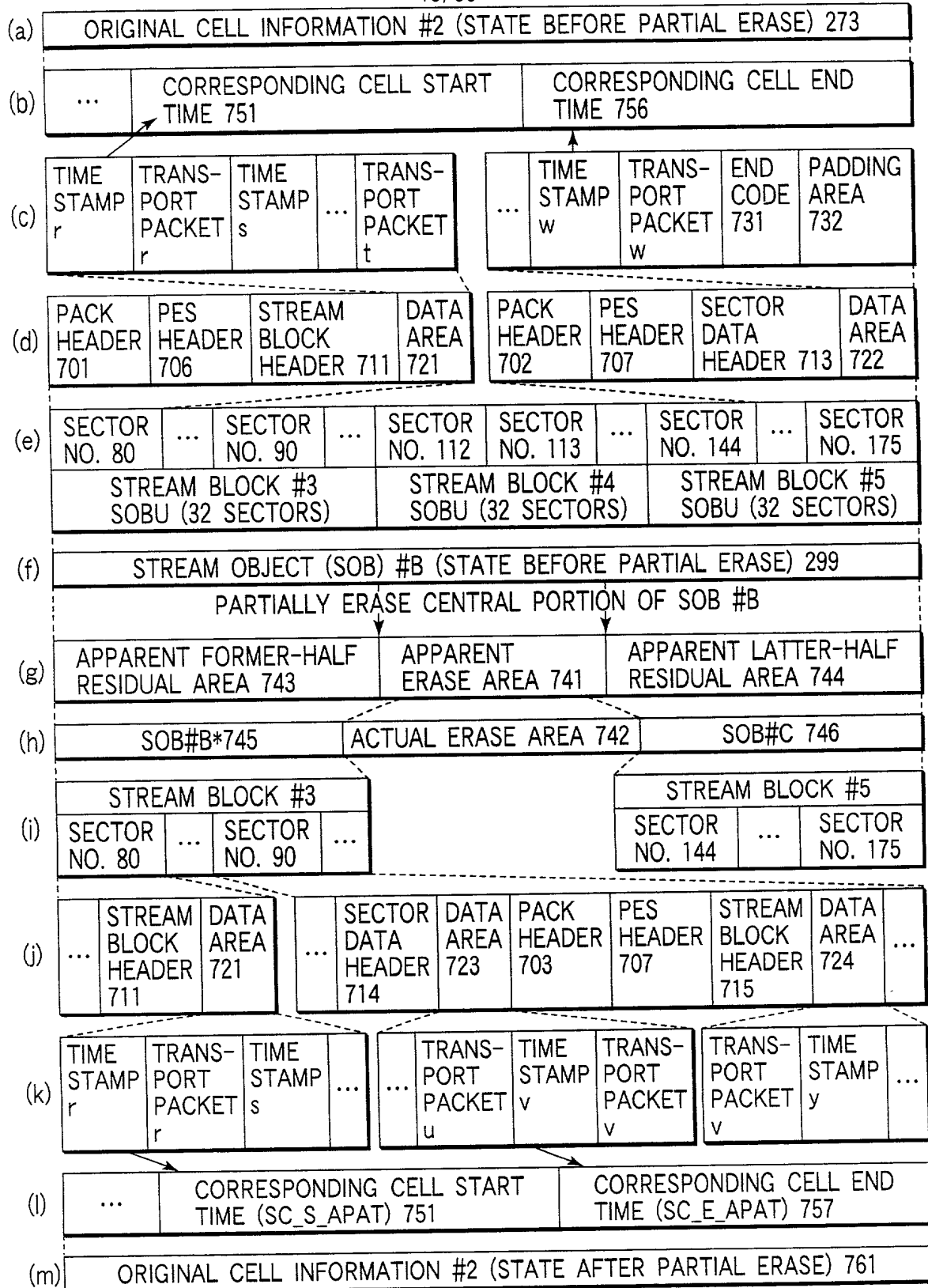


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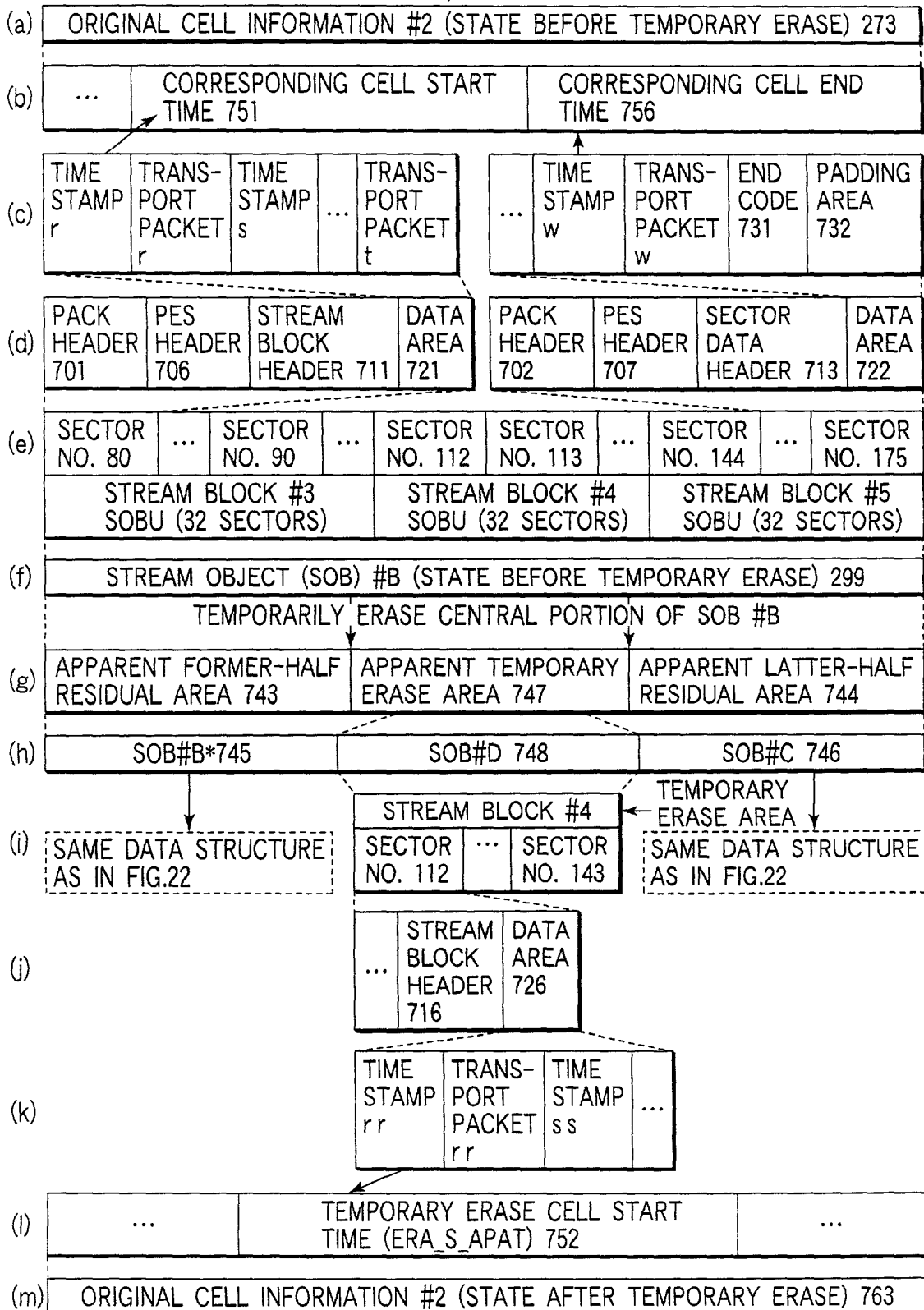


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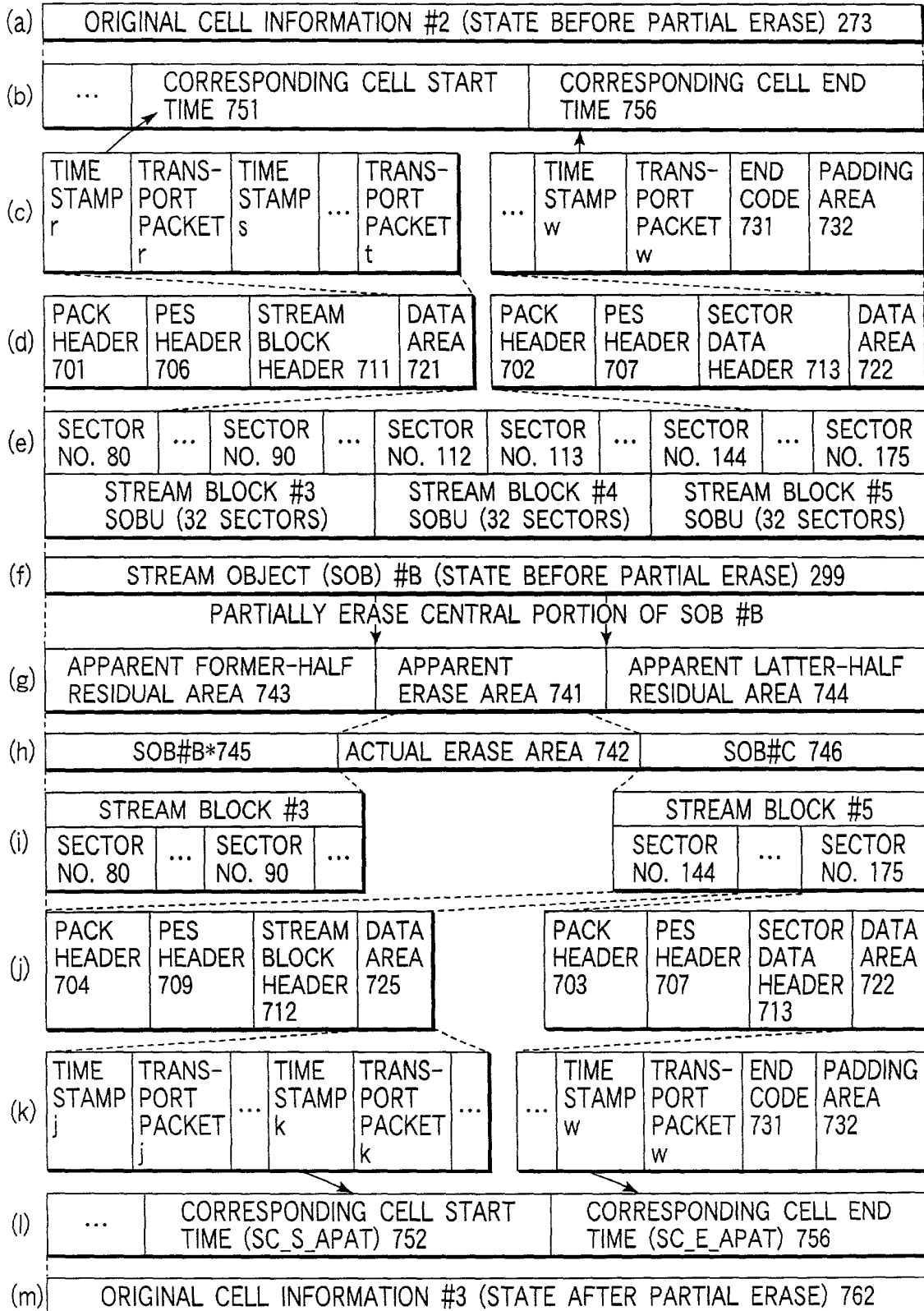


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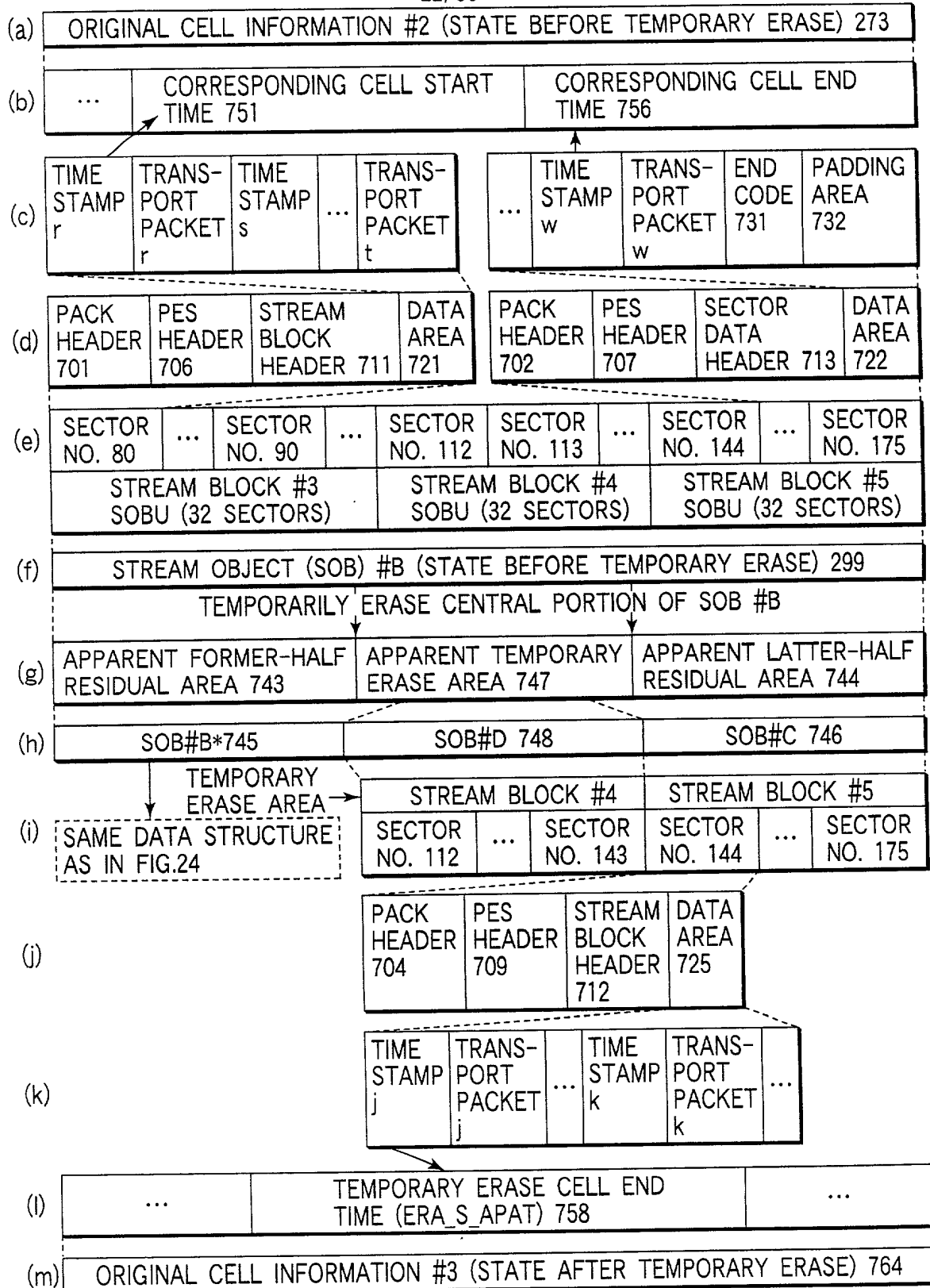


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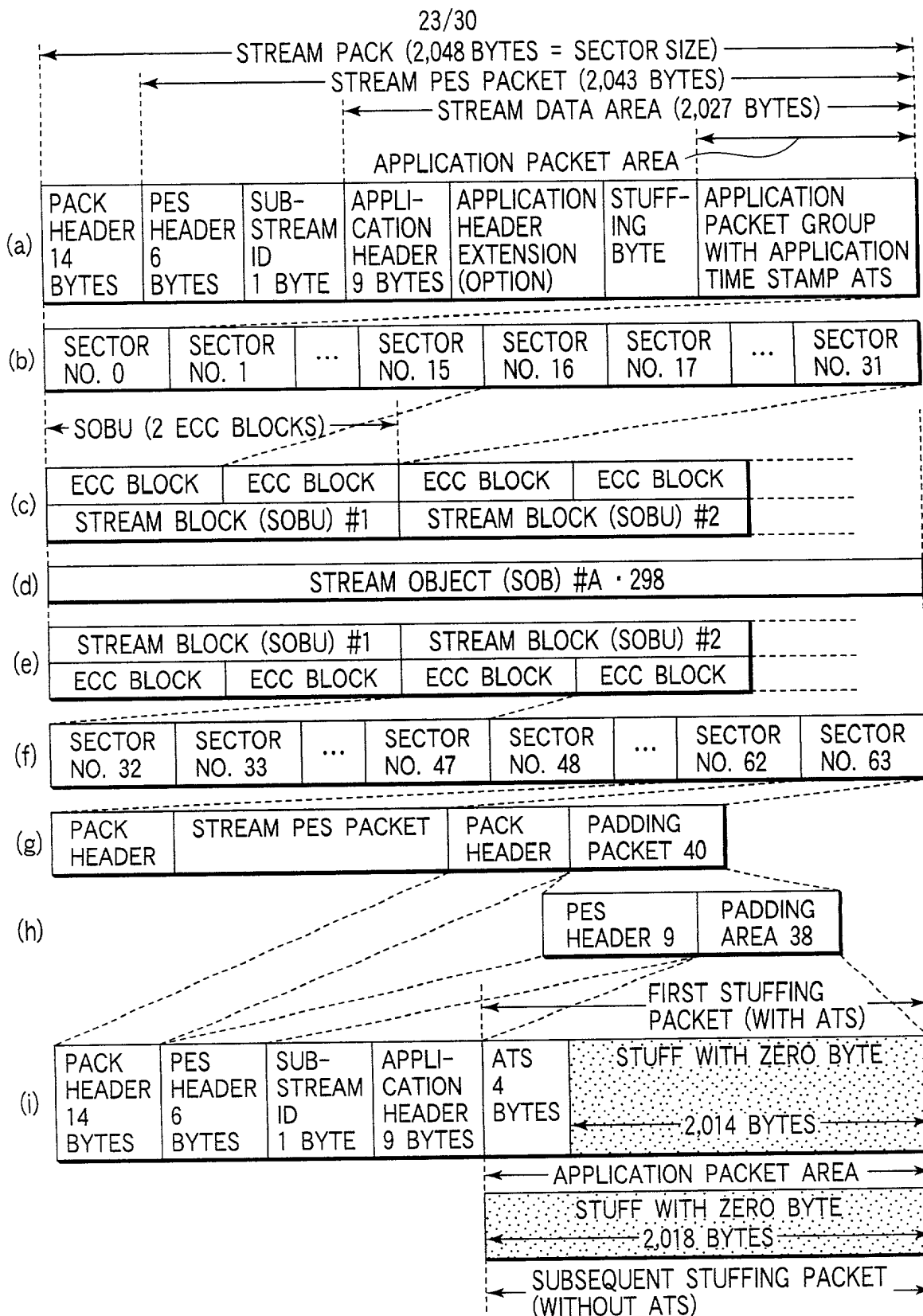


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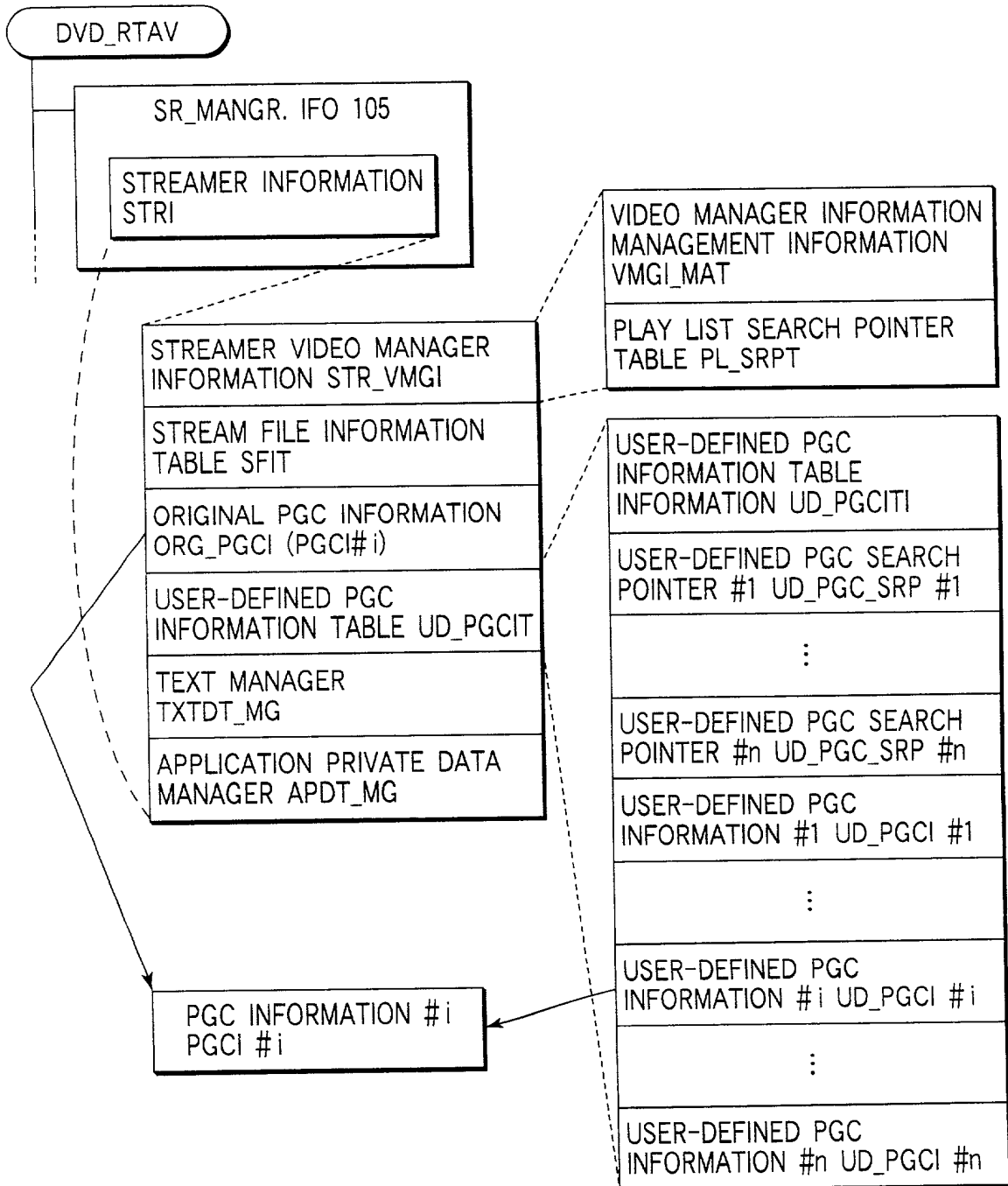


FIG. 27



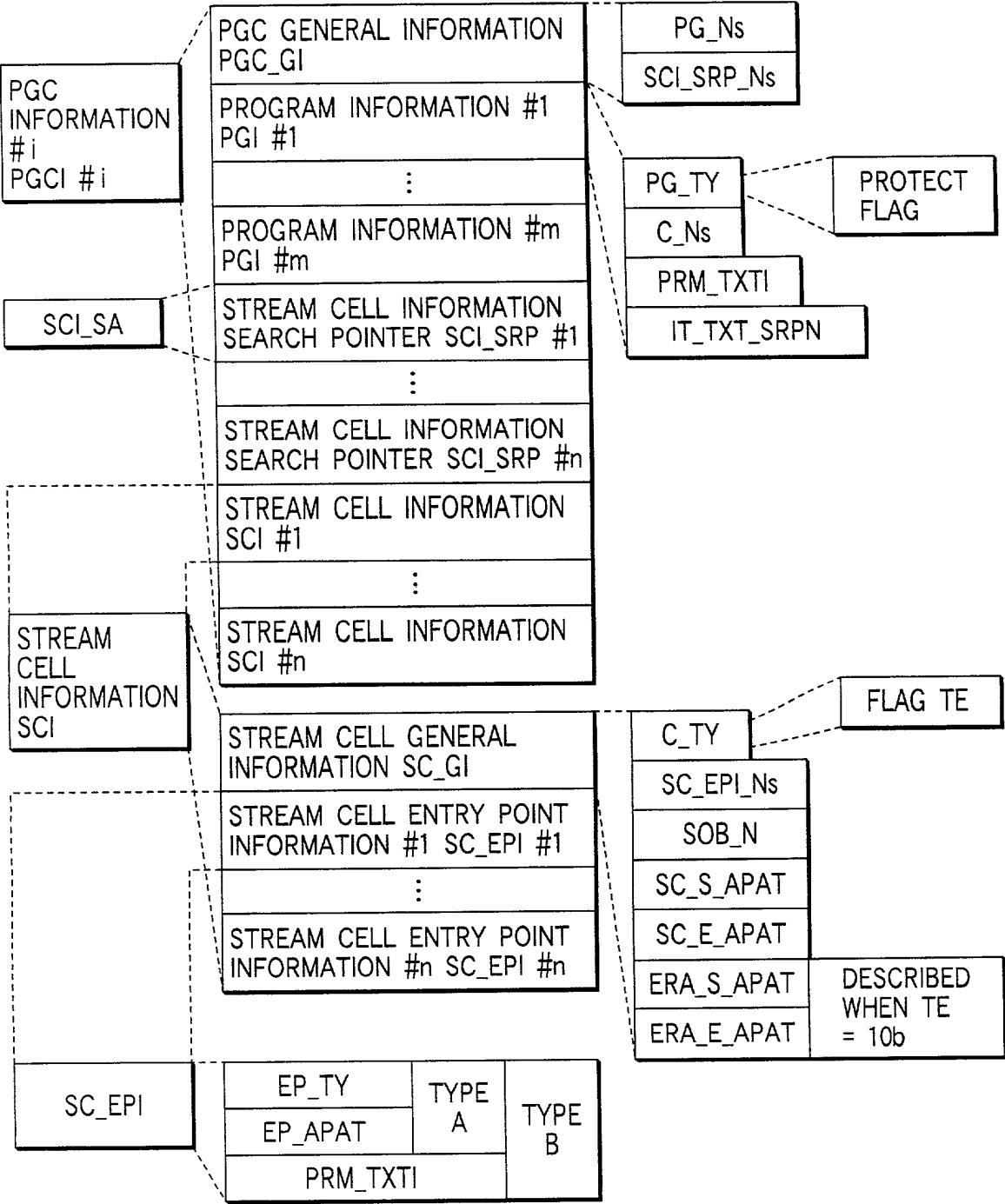


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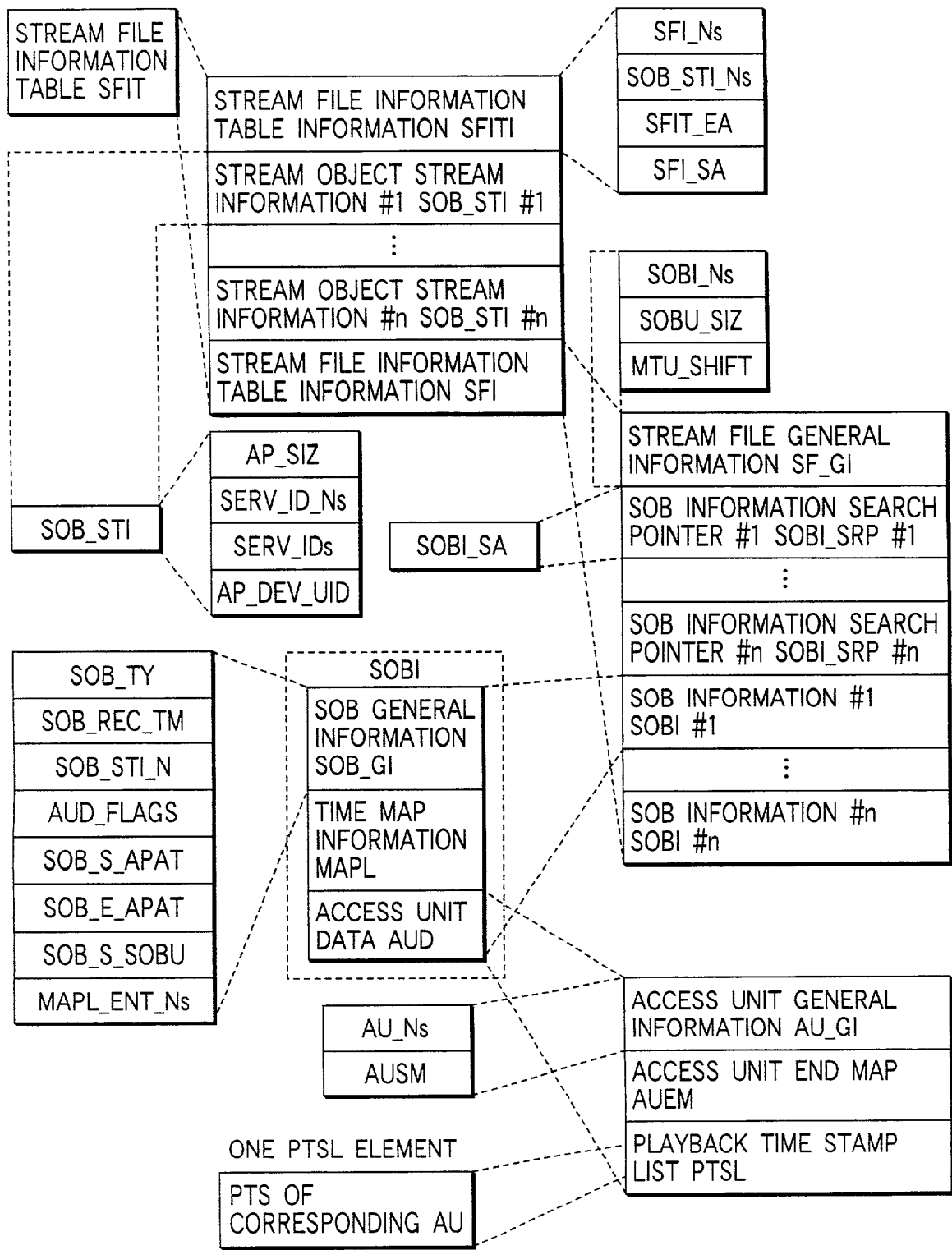


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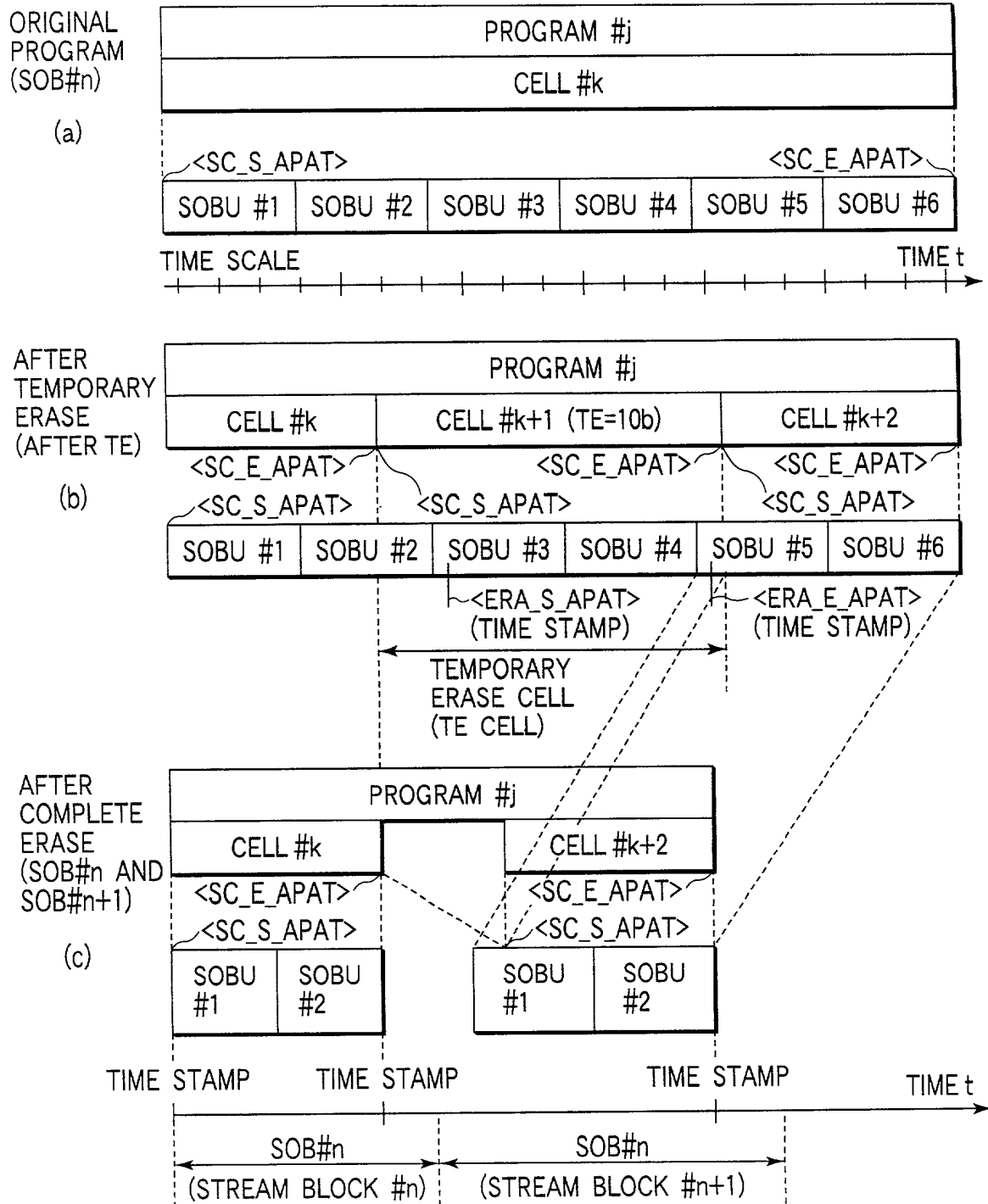


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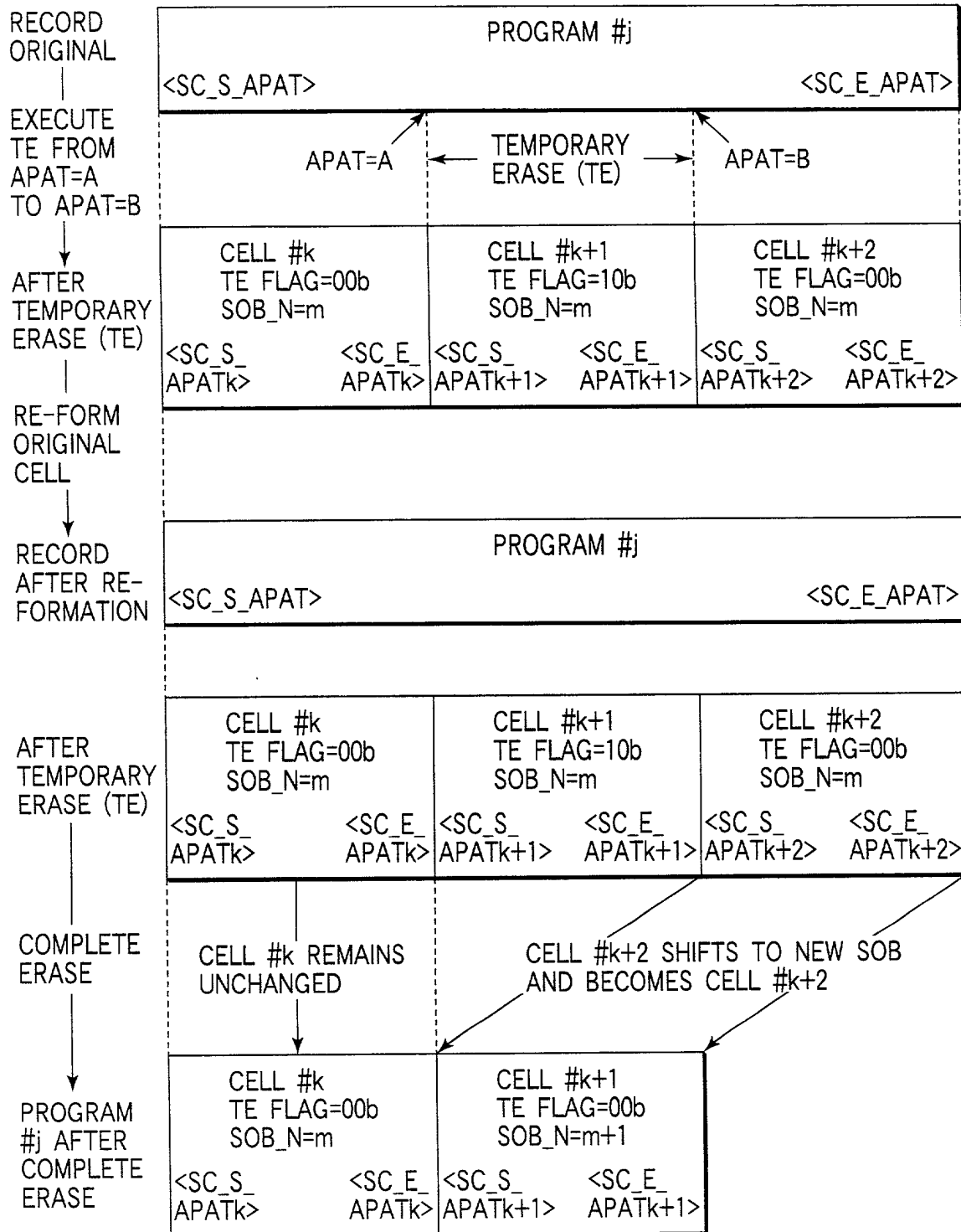


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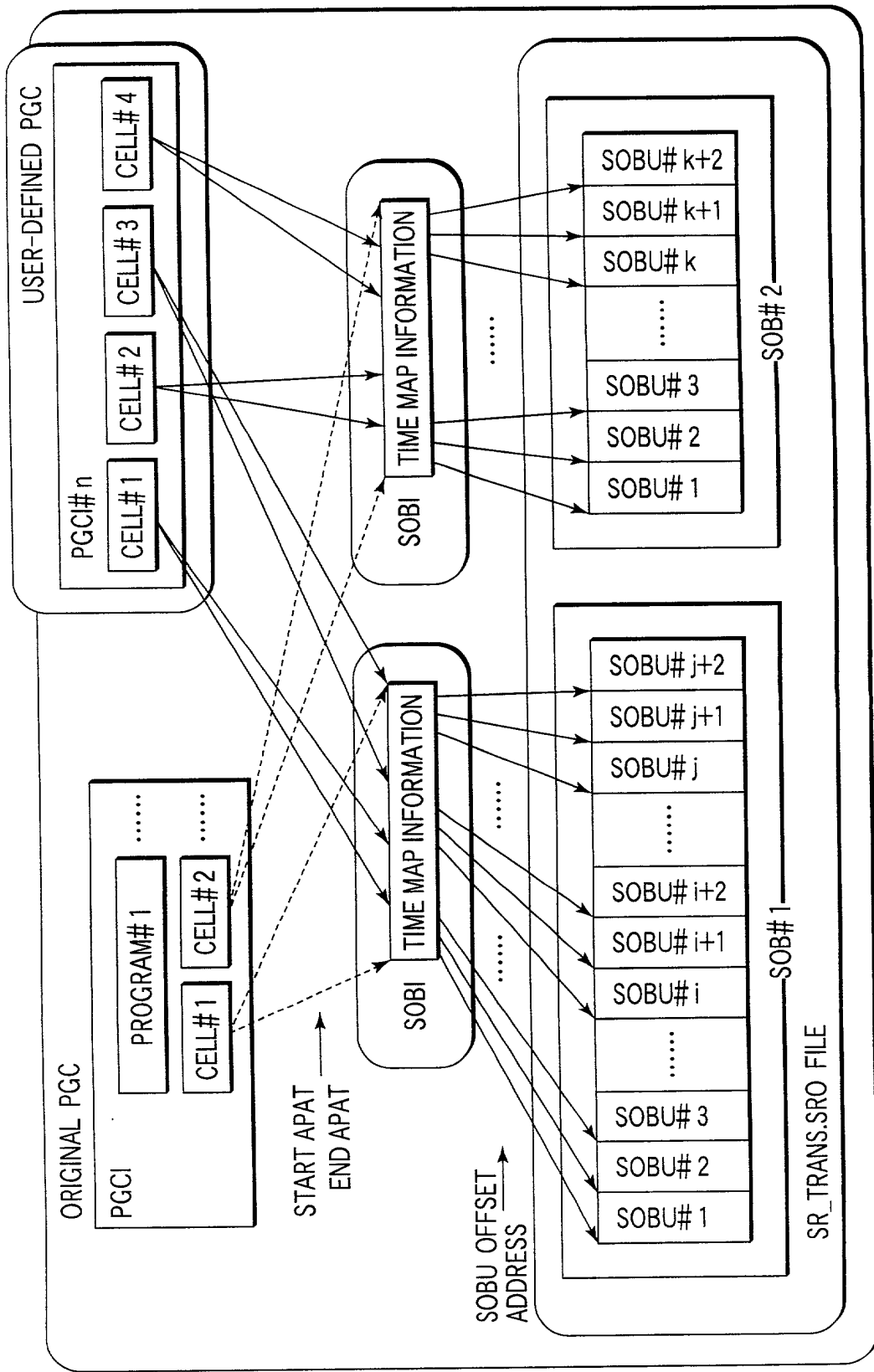


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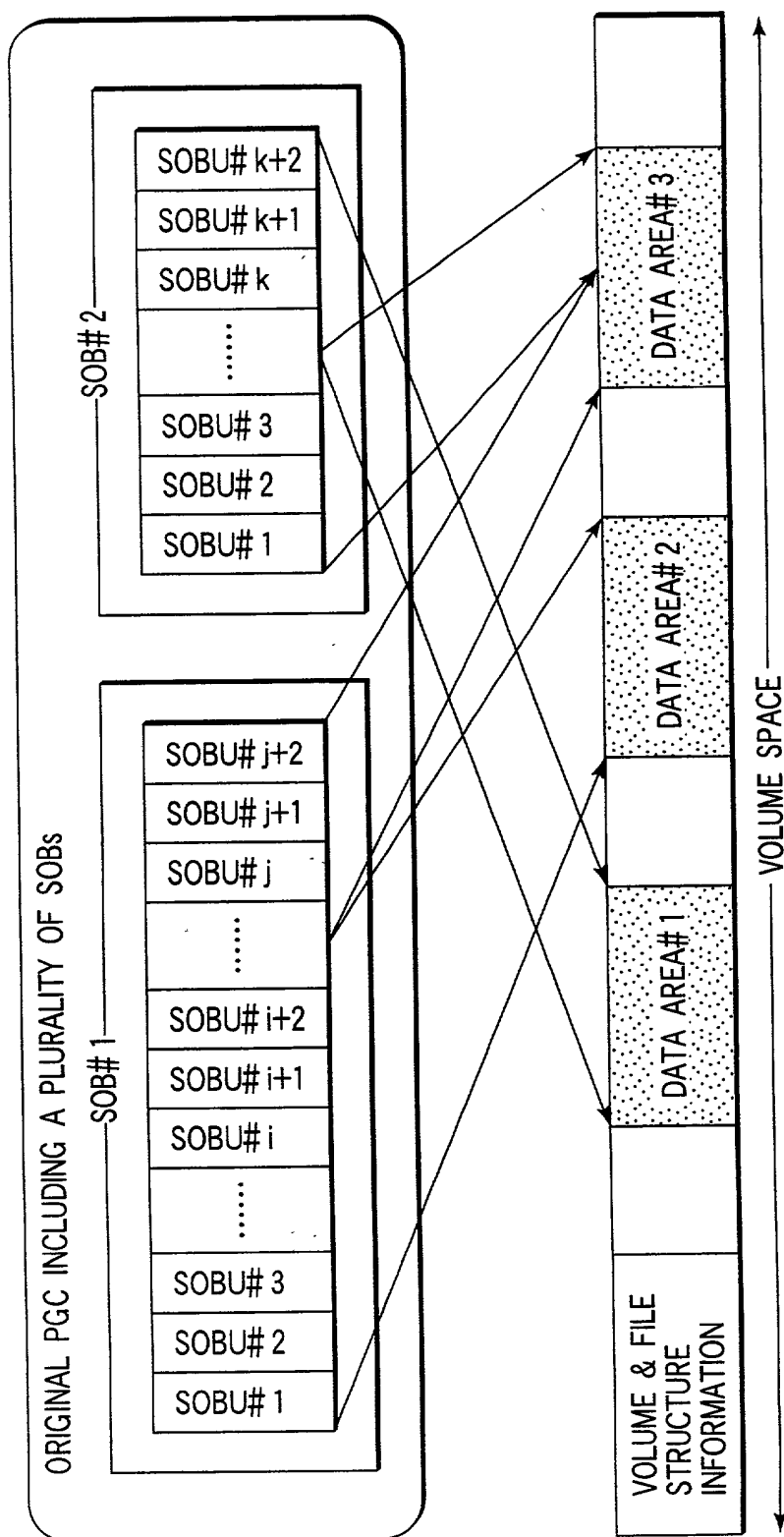


FIG. 33

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STREAM DATA GENERATION METHOD AND PARTIAL ERASE  
PROCESSING METHOD

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Japanese Patent Application No. 11-028697, filed February 5, 1999

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